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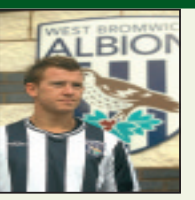

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Pub manager stole to fund her gambling habit

THIEF LEFT A NOTE TO SAY 'SORRY'

Sarah-Jayne Ellis: gambling had spiralled out of control

THE manager of a Sandwell pub who pocketed £26,000 to fund her gambling habit left a note in the safe saying "sorry", a court heard.

Sarah-Jayne Ellis, aged 29, who managed The Myvod in Wednesbury, admitted theft when she appeared before Sandwell Magistrates Court in Warley last week.

The court heard her gambling habit had spiralled out of control.

She had written a note for colleagues and left it in the safe before fleeing to Brighton.

Prosecutor Miss Rosie Sivia said: "The defendant had been manager of The Myvod pub for the last 12 months. On August 22 one of the deputy managers at the pub accessed the safe and found a letter which was dated that day from the defendant. It said she had been depressed and had been gambling and taking money from the safe.

"Managers carried out an audit and reported the matter to police. The defendant handed herself in the following day. She was carrying a red bag with £2,000 in cash. In interview she admitted taking more than £26,000 from the pub safe over a week and a half."

Miss Sivia said Ellis had caught the train to Brighton after leaving the note but immediately boarded a returning train to hand herself in.

Ellis spoke only to confirm her name and guilty plea during the hearing. Her solicitor Mr Parm Hayre said full mitigation will be put on her behalf when she is sentenced at Wolverhampton Crown Court next month.

Ellis, of Arps Road, Codsall, was granted bail on condition she does not go to The Myvod or any casino and also resides at her home.

She is due to be sentenced on September 27.

All set for the series of bat walks at Haden Hill House are Haden Hill's Jane Hanney and Chairman of Friends of Haden Hill House Ken Smith

Last chance to see the park's bats

STAFF are going batty this month with a series of bat walks from Haden Hill House.

The Friends Group of Haden Hill House Museum and Park has organised the walks, which take place on September 14, 23 and 28.

Visitors will be able to learn more about the fascinating mammals with a short talk, before taking a walk into the park with bat detectors to see which types of bat can be spotted.

Hibernate

A spokesperson said: "We are lucky in Haden Hill Park to have so many bats and we know we have at least three different species here.

"The best time to see them is September before they hibernate for the winter so we will be running bat walks throughout the month."

Walks cost £3.50 for adults and £2 for children, which include tea or coffee and the use of a bat detector. For more information and to book tickets call 01384 569444.

Mini-market plan for pub

A FORMER pub in Great Bridge is set to be transformed into a convenience store and takeaway restaurant under plans being considered by Sandwell Council planners.

Developers want to create the mini-market at The Old Crown pub on Sheepwash Lane. Nine jobs would be created. The scheme was submitted by MatLab: Materials Laboratory and Design Workshop for J&D Brothers Ltd. It is intended to keep the first and second floors as accommodation.

New college is off to a flyer

STUDENTS at the new £77 million Sandwell College will be flying high when they take lessons on board the body of a real aeroplane at the West Bromwich site.

Travel and tourism students will see their classroom on the fourth floor of the building transformed for lessons inside the body of a former Boeing 737. The fuselage is being installed, and students will use the drop-down tables as desks for their laptops. The structure also has escape-route floor-lighting strips, overhead lockers and seats.

Outside the fuselage, there will be a waiting area, check-in desk, galley area and trolley storage, so students have a realistic experience as air cabin crew.

Graphics on the waiting area walls will show a typical runway scene and aircraft parking bay, resembling a real airport.

The materials have been taken from a decommissioned aircraft.

Sandwell College capital project director Sue Johnson said it was intended to make the experience as authentic as possible for students preparing for a career in the travel industry. She said: "The parts would normally be refurbished and sold on to other airlines but in this instance they will be fully refurbished and installed at the college.

"The fuselage body will come with all of the equipment that a normal plane would have."

Along with travel and tourism, the fourth floor will be home to the sport and leisure and public services departments, science labs, and a Microsoft Academy area.

Work on the building in Spon Lane is nearing completion. Sandwell folk have dubbed it the 'Big Dipper' due to the building's curved shape.

Construction teams have been working on the interior and getting classrooms ready for staff.

It's a formula for success as store begins trading

THE glamour of Formula One comes to Smethwick tomorrow (Friday) to mark the opening of a new cash and carry depot.

Soho Cash and Carry, based at Sandwell Business Park on Crystal Drive, opens its doors for the first time today (Thursday) but tomorrow is sure to attract big crowds when a Force India F1 car, used in the 2010 season, is on site.

The car, worth £800,000, will be available to view from 9am to 5pm and Ashok Kalia, business development manager for Soho Cash and Carry Limited, said he was hoping for a big turnout or racing and car enthusiasts.

Jobs

"It's going to be a huge attraction and we're so excited about seeing the car," Mr Kalia said.

"The new cash and carry will hopefully make a big difference to retailers. We're investing at a time when economic growth is still slow and we think it will be a boost to the local economy."

More than 30 jobs have been created by the new £1 million store. Soho Cash and Carry also has depots in Wolverhampton and Handsworth.

Zumba instructor Natalie Bellfield (front) and her class invite others to join the dance fitness party in Rowley Regis

It's zumba time!

SANDWELL Leisure Trust has launched a new evening and weekend fitness class timetable at Rowley Regis Learning Campus this week.

The range of fitness classes has been extended to include Bollywood aerobics, boxercise and the increasingly popular zumba, exercises to Latin American music.

Fitness classes are also now available at the weekend as well as during weekday evenings.

Opening hours of the new gym have also been extended. Ladies only gym sessions are also now available.

Active

Mark Wildman, Marketing Manager at Sandwell Leisure Trust, said: "The new state-of-the-art sport and fitness facilities provide a really pleasant environment in which to exercise. We hope that the extended opening hours and fitness classes will give local residents the chance to get active."

The new September timetable is available to view online at Sandwell Leisure Trust's website at www.slt-leisure.co.uk. More information is available by calling Raji Takhar on 0121 506 4980 or by emailing leisure@sandwell.gov.uk.

Murder charges

A FURTHER two men have been arrested in connection with the murders of three men during the riots in Birmingham.

Haroon Jahan, aged 21, and brothers Shazad Ali, 30, and Abdul Musavir, 31, died on August 10 after they were struck by a car in the Winson Green area as they were trying to protect shops from looters.

Detectives last week arrested two men from Birmingham, aged 29 and 30, on suspicion of murder.

Adam King, 23, of Kings Norton, Joshua Donald, 26, of Kelsall Croft, Ladywood, Liam Young, 28, of Winson Green, Ian Beckford, 30, of Quinton, and a 17-year-old boy, who cannot be named for legal reasons, have all appeared at Birmingham Crown Court charged with murder. They were remanded in custody and will appear at Birmingham Crown Court on December 9.

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Help needed to plan parade

ORGANISERS of the Black Country's biggest St George's Day parade need volunteers to help out with next year's event.

Tens of thousands of people attended this year's parade and fun day in West Bromwich.

Preparations are underway to start fundraising for next April's tribute to England's patron saint. Mark Cowles, from Stone Cross St George Association, which organises the event, said volunteers, fundraisers and stall holders were needed.

He said: "Our plans are to start fundraising as soon as possible. We are holding meetings at the moment to start discussions.

"We are looking for anyone who has got any market stalls to come forward, as well as people who run entertainment and amusements." He added: "It has turned into a major calender event in the Sandwell diary and we are willing and hoping that Sandwell Council will work with us."

Around 20,000 people attended this year's parade which started in Westminster Road, Stone Cross, and finished with a carnival-style event in the town's Dartmouth Park.

Volunteers should email stgeorgeparade @aol.com

Sons of Rest work finally over

REFURBISHMENT of a Sandwell Sons of Rest building costing £50,000 has finally been completed nearly a year late.

The work on the Britannia Sons of Rest, in Rowley Regis started in August last year after the council agreed to pay for it but due to a series of delays, work which should have taken around a month has just been completed.

The Birmingham Road club now has a new toilet block with wheelchair access, a new kitchen, a graded drive for disabled access and new fire doors.

Chairman Brian Monk said: "The aim of the work was to give the building disabled access, particularly to have toilets with wheelchair access."

The club has had a turbulent history. In 2008 it was threatened with closure because it was struggling to attract members and could not cover its own costs. After a lengthy battle, the committee was told that instead of closing the club, Sandwell Council would to invest in it, by getting the much needed refurbishment work done.

Mr Monk wants to encourage more people to use the building and he even hopes to set up a youth club. He said: "We are a very friendly club."

Recession sees fall in visitors to museum

THE recession has hit visitor figures at the Black Country Living Museum.

Figures for the site in Tipton Road, Dudley, show 153,670 people attended between January and July – an average of just under 22,000 per month which is more than 3,000 down on the monthly figures of last year.

Last year, an average of more than 25,600 people flocked to the museum each month, with a yearly total of 307,326.

Bosses blamed the recession for families feeling the pinch. Trustee of the museum and deputy leader of Dudley Council, Tim Wright' said family budgets were being "squeezed" and they had less free cash. "People have to decide what is necessary to put on the table and what they can live without, and luxuries such as a day out at a museum will suffer," he said. "It's a cracking place and a fantastic day out."

Attractions

Former trustee and new leader Les Jones added: "Attractions such as the museum bore up well during the early days of the recession, but it seems to have caught up with them now.

"I'm sure the visitor numbers will pick up again as soon as the economy improves."

Museum chief executive Andrew Lovett said a recent report by the English Tourist Board, VisitEngland, showed paid-for attractions across the country had seen an overall reduction in visitor attendance this year.

He said a range of offers and events have been introduced in coming weeks to try to boost numbers.

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Joy as stolen puppy is returned to family

THE owners of a 16-week-old puppy stolen by two men on a motorbike in West Bromwich have spoken of their joy at having been reunited with their beloved pet.

Pauline and Ian Parsons welcomed Alfie, the Cavalier King Charles spaniel, back home after he was snatched by the opportunist thieves. The pair said it was a "massive relief" to see their puppy again.

A young couple from Coseley got in touch with Mr and Mrs Parsons after spotting a photograph of Alfie in the Chronicle's sister paper, the Express & Star, on Monday of last week. He had been snatched the previous Thursday from Kelvin Way Trading Estate where Mr and Mrs Parsons work at the family-run franchise Metal Supermarket. The puppy had been with Pauline. The couple said they had bought the dog from a man in Wolverhampton for £150.

Mrs Parsons said: "We cannot believe we have Alfie back. When he was taken from us, we didn't think we'd ever see him again."

Police released CCTV images of the two opportunist thieves who snatched the dog at 2.30pm on Thursday from Kelvin Way Trading Estate where Mr and Mrs Parsons work.

The pair were riding a motorbike in the industrial estate in West Bromwich, when they stopped.

One of them leapt off the bike and grabbed the dog from a cage, and the pair sped off. .

Mr and Mrs Parsons, both 45, of Amblecote, spent all weekend knocking on doors searching for Alfie.

They also set up a Facebook group which included all the details about Alfie with the help of their two daughters Ashleigh, 18, and Jordanne, 16. Mrs Parsons said: "A young couple got in touch with us yesterday afternoon.

"They said they had seen the story in the Express & Star and looked on the Facebook page we set up for Alfie.

"We had just been to the Sandwell Show putting up posters of Alfie when we got the call. As soon as we saw Alfie he recognised us. He started licking my husband's face.

"The young couple were really upset. They said they had bought the dog from a man and paid £150.

"We are never going to let him go now. He is going to by our side at all times from now on."

Safe and sound . . . Alfie back home with his owners Ian and Pauline Parsons and their daughter Ashleigh and, inset, the CCTV image of Alfie being snatched

Business breakfast invitation

BUSINESSES in Sandwell are invited to a breakfast club in the borough this month.

Organised by finditinsandwell, the event will be held at the Council House in Freeth Street, Oldbury, on September 15 from 6.45am.

It will feature a presentation about engineering company Laing O'Rourke's new offsite manufacturing plants in Oldbury and Wolverhampton.

The company's buyers will be looking to meet potential suppliers of products such as stainless steel tube and pipework, pipe fittings, fasteners, ductwork, fabrications, mechanical and electrical installations, ceiling systems, insulation materials, engineering consumables and industrial supplies.

To find out more and to sign up to finditinsandwell log on to www.finditinsandwell.co.uk

Tough stance praised by MP

COURTS' tough response to rioters has shown long overdue support for police and other bodies, claims Warley MP John Spellar, who said it needs to continue.

He said: "Too often in the past courts have refused to enforce anti-social behaviour orders or to back Sandwell Council and Sandwell Homes in securing evictions against those who make lives a misery or refuse to pay rent.

" The current position is welcome, but they need to maintain this stance."

Buyers sought for first new homes

BUYERS are being sought for homes on sale on West Bromwich's £1.1 million Lyng Estate, eight months after work began on site. The three-storey, three-bed houses in Lyttleton Street have been named after West Bromwich Albion icons, including record goal-scorer Tony 'Bomber' Brown and Brendan Batson.

The three-bed homes have been christened 'Batson' houses.

The Lyng used to be a hotspot for anti-social behaviour and high unemployment and was blighted by crumbling buildings.

Swathes of the area were demolished, starting in 1999 and taking four years to complete. Last October the construction work finally began to build 364 homes.

Cafe plan for former pub

A FORMER pub in West Bromwich is set to be brought back to life as a cafe and shop under plans approved by officers at Sandwell Council.

Developers want to transform the Nags Head, Church Lane, which has been vacant for some time.

A design and access statement submitted to the council states that the two-storey pub, which is located at the junction with Scafell Way, contains a bar and lounge area on the ground floor with a flat above and a 12-space car park at the back.

The report states the applicant proposed to construct a single-storey extension to the side and rear of the building, to form a new cafe.

The remainder of the ground floor will be used as a convenience store.

The report says the cafe will be open between 6am and 2pm and the shop from 7am to 8pm.

The flat above will be retained and a new shop front will also be installed. Recommending the application be approved, council officer Christine Phillips said the plan would "bring a vacant public house back into beneficial use".

Appeal for friends

THE chairman of the Friends of Red House Park has appealed for new members – saying future events at the Great Barr might have to be cancelled if more people do not come forward. Bill Gunn said when the group was first formed in 2002 there were 200 members but now there are only six. "We want to keep going but it's becoming increasingly hard," he said. "I have turned 80, two other members are over 70, and the others work all the time. The group will not fold but we need more people if we are to continue putting on activities." Anyone interested should call 0121 3582434.

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Grandmother fought off dog

A DOG launched an horrific attack on a youngster in Smethwick after escaping from his owner's garden, a court heard.

The Staffordshire Bull Terrier-type dog, called Kilo, jumped on the seven-year-old boy and started biting him while the victim's grandmother fought the animal.

Sandwell Magistrates Court last week heard it was the second time Kilo, who is owned by 25-yearlold Nashya McKenzie, had attacked someone.

Prosecutor Mr Kulbir Paul said the young victim, who cannot be named for legal reasons, suffered bites to his leg that needed stitches.

Events unfolded in Ada Road in Smethwick at 7.45am on August 25.

The boy's grandmother saw the dog had escaped through a hole in Mr McKenzie's fence and, fearing it might be run over, took Kilo to her garden.

When she went to return it to McKenzie's house, also in Ada Road, the dog jumped on her grandson.

Screamed

Mr Paul said the grandmother, aged 51, kicked, punched and screamed in a desperate bid to get the dog off the youngster.

She eventually got the dog to release his grip after she put her hand in his mouth.

The crying boy ran into her living room and started crying but Kilo followed him inside and bit him on the foot before the attack finally ceased.

The court heard the dog had attacked another person last year but the matter was resolved.

McKenzie pleaded guilty to being the owner of a dog out of control in a public place.

The case was adjourned for reports and McKenzie was bailed before sentencing on September 22.

Industrial work was a factor in sudden death

A FATHER-of-six thought to be perfectly healthy was found dead in bed at his Smethwick home, an inquest heard.

Patrick Taylor's body was discovered by his son, Jason, at their home in Fenton Street, Smethwick.

Just hours before he died, the former factory worker had been in high spirits, celebrating a successful day at the races.

At an inquest at the coroner's office in Crocketts Lane last week, Black Country Coroner Robin Balmain concluded that the 50-year-old had died of heart failure. But he said a contributory factor was lung disease that Mr Taylor had contracted from years working in industry.

Speaking after the hearing, Mr Taylor's 23-year-old daughter Lisa Taylor said: "The whole thing has been a massive shock. I can't put into words what it's like to lose a dad. He was a good, loving man. I would urge anyone who has relatives who have worked in industry to get their health checked."

Mr Taylor was found dead on March 17. Two days before his death he had been to the horse races at Cheltenham with two friends and won £200. The day after he went with his family to the Sampson Lloyd pub in Cape Hill to celebrate. He left at 3pm and went to bed and was found by son Jason at 8am.

"There was no signs at all anything was wrong," added mother-of-two Miss Taylor.

"He was laughing and joking. He was as fit as a fiddle."

Miss Taylor said her father had held various jobs in Tipton and Smethwick including one as a welder and one emptying skips.

Silica

A post mortem revealed evidence of heart failure. Tests also showed he had contracted his lung infection after being exposed to silica.

Recording that Mr Taylor had died a natural death, Mr Balmain said: "It seems likely that the exposure to silica has been in the course of his work. The appropriate verdict is to record he died of natural causes contributed to by an industrial disease which was caused by his work."

'Danger' bus lane is axed

A BUS lane on a busy Wednesbury road, which was described as "dangerous" by campaigners, should be gone for good this week.

Residents feared someone could be seriously injured or killed on the stretch in High Bullen. In July they were successful in winning a campaign to have it removed.

The revocation of the bus lane was due to come into force on Wednesday, September 7.

The bus lane was described as a danger after motorists were repeatedly spotted using it to overtake other cars.

Near-misses

There were reports of near-misses with drivers correctly using the right hand lane before turning left into Church Hill, across the bus lane.

The cost of removing signage and revoking the legal order for the lane, which was introduced in 2004 as part of the 311/313 bus showcase scheme, will cost Sandwell Council £15,000.

Councillor Derek Rowley, cabinet member for neighbourhood services, gave final approval to remove the bus lane.

A report prepared by highways officers stated just four buses an hour used the stretch and it was, therefore, not an efficient use of the road space.

Cllr Rowley said: "It will help the traffic flow going towards and away from the M6 at junction nine.

"There were only four buses an hour using that stretch of road, so for the length of time that the bus lane was in use in one hour was just a few minutes.

"It seems more sensible to see it being used for general traffic."

Wednesbury North Councillor Elaine Costigan said: "We have been fighting for this for quite some time, so it is great news."

Killer carried gun to look important

A FATHER who shot dead a Tipton plasterer is beginning a life sentence of at least 26 years for the murder.

Jahmayne Meade shot Lee Douglas in the neck and back after finding him with his former girlfriend at a house in Bilston.

Meade's ex-girlfriend, Leanna Blake, had ignored text messages and calls from him.

Sentencing Meade at Birmingham Crown Court last week, Mr Justice Butterfield told the father of one: "In fixing that period I am in no way attempting to put a value on the life of Lee Douglas. That life was priceless and you took it away."

Thursday's hearing was told Meade, of Maidstone Road, Leicester, arrived at the home of one of Miss Blake's friends on the corner of Arthur Road and Wellington Road shortly after midnight on November 11. He discovered his ex with her new partner, 31-year-old Mr Douglas, from Tipton.

Fight

Mr Peter Greaves-Smith QC told the court there was a fight between the two men, during which Meade produced a 9mm pistol with a silencer and shot Mr Douglas. Miss Blake was hiding in a wardrobe.

Meade fled the scene with three relatives before later getting a taxi to a friend's house in Nottingham. He was arrested at his home in Leicester days later.

Mr Justice Butterfield told the defendant: "You travelled from Leicester to Wolverhampton in order, you say, to try and persuade Miss Blake to become reconciled with you. I have to say that the evidence of how you were behaving in the minutes before you took the life of Lee Douglas leaves me in the gravest doubt that that was the real reason you came to Wolverhampton."

Three of Meade's relatives admitted assisting an offender and will be sentenced later.

The gun used to shoot Lee Douglas

Meade and associate on a garage CCTV

Murderer – Jahmayne Meade

Shot dead – Lee Douglas

Gunman posed with pistol on Facebook

DETECTIVES have released an image of the murder weapon, which they say Jahmayne Meade carried to make him look "big and important".

CCTV images of Meade and his relatives on the fateful journey to the Bilston house that would become the scene of the killing of his ex-girlfriend's new partner were also released, as Meade begins a life sentence behind bars.

In November last year, carrying the 9mm pistol would become more than just bravado as he blasted 31-year-old Tipton man Lee Douglas dead as Meade's terrified former girlfriend, Leanne Blake, hid in fear of her life.

It emerged that the father-of-one had in the past posed for photographs brandishing the gun. Meade posted pictures of himself with the pistol on Facebook, the social networking site on which he had also met Miss Blake.

She would later end that stormy relationship and started a romance with Mr Douglas, infuriating Meade who claims he was desperate for reconicilation.

Meade used the pistol, which was fitted with a silencer, to shoot four times at Mr Douglas after Miss Blake had ignored texts and phone calls from Douglas.

Birmingham Crown Court heard that a number of images showing Meade posing with the gun and ammunition were discovered on a memory stick when he was arrested.

He had told Miss Blake that he armed himself with the weapon because he "did not trust people" when leaving his home city of Leicester.

Prosecutor Mr Peter Greaves-Smith QC said: "The prosecution says that this defendant was the proud possessor of a gun, silencer and ammunition which he carried on numerous occasions. He gave his reason for this to Leanne Blake but the prosecution suggests the reality is he just wanted to look big. To look hard."

The court heard that he had previous convictions for robbery, firearm offences and assault.

Mrs Frances Oldham QC, defending, said that in the minutes leading up to the shooting, Meade had been assaulted with a glass table by Mr Douglas.

Meade's 21-year-old brother Courtney, cousin Ricardo Morgan, and brother-in-law Irfan Patel, 24, travelled to Wolverhampton with Meade. They have admitted assisting an offender and will be sentenced at a later date.

School meals costing more

PUPILS starting school for the new academic year in Sandwell this week will be facing more expensive school meals after the prices increased for the second year running – and there has been a warning that the prices could go up yet again.

Sandwell Council announced its decision to increase the price of meals by 50p per child, per week, for the second successive year, back in June.

Year

The rise means a family with two children faces paying £80 more per year than they did two years ago and bosses have warned the cost is likely to increase again next year.

Canine charity

A DOG grooming business in Tipton is raising awareness of a charity raffle. Posh Pooches Dog Grooming, of Toll End Road, has joined forces with West Bromwich company Doves Cottage pet supplies to host the fundraiser.

Hoping to raise money for K9 Search UK, a group of volunteers who rescue abandoned, lost and stolen dogs, the businesses are in talks with two local vets to help promote the raffle.

Tickets will go on sale later this autumn with more than £200 worth of goodies up for grabs. Visit www.poshpooches.vpweb.co.uk for more information.

Home start getting food waste buckets

HOMES in Sandwell started getting their food waste bins this week. The "food recycling service" will see householders keep kitchen scraps in the home.

All 128,000 households in the borough will have the buckets by January. Under the plans, residents will have to sort rubbish four ways. This will be garden waste, dry recycling, food waste and rubbish.

Two buckets will be given to each home, a five litre container for the kitchen where food scraps and peelings will be collected and a 25-litre bin for the garden, into which the kitchen will be emptied. Serco, which runs the borough's £650 million waste contract, will be delivering the new bins to around 7,500 properties a week.

As part of the improvements, blue lid recycling collections will also become weekly. This follows the introduction of new collection days during the summer which means that, for the first time, residents now have all their bins picked up on the same day of the week.

A leaflet will be sent to residents a week before their bins are delivered, notifying them of the change in service. Councillor Derek Rowley, Sandwell Council's cabinet member for neighbourhood services, said: "Residents will have a new household bin to use instead of black sacks which can split or get ripped by animals and generally make a mess of the streets.

"The food recycling containers will help people to save money as they will see how much food they throw away."

The changes are part of wider plans to modernise waste, recycling and street cleaning services in the borough.

Anger over ice rink

DEVELOPERS have been criticised for dropping plans for an ice rink as part of a long-awaited £140 million pound shopping and leisure scheme planned in Oldbury.

The rink would have been the only one of its kind in the region but plans for the Oldbury Shopping Park development have been scaled back and it has been dropped.

Keith Horton, chief executive of the National Ice Skating Association, said: ""I'm very surprised to see it being taken out, especially now when we see temporary rinks springing up."

Oldbury Councillor Susan Downing said: "I'm disappointed the developer has made this decision. Those sort of facilities are really needed in our area as there's nothing like this nearby."

Retirement of school move head

A HEADTEACHER who has overseen a Rowley Regis secondary school's move into new, state-of-the-art accommodation, retired last week.

Rod Worthington, aged 60, has been at the helm of the 1,000-pupil St Michael's School for the past 13 years.

He retired having helped prepare the school for its first full academic year in the Rowley Learning Campus.

Mr Worthington said: "It has been a great privilege to be headteacher of St Michael's for 13 years and I have valued the loyalty, support, commitment and dedication of staff and parents."

The £30 million Rowley Learning Campus was completed under Labour's controversial Building School for the Future programme.

As well as St Michael's School, the Learning Campus, in Throne Road, is now home to the Whiteheath Education Centre for pupils with medical issues and Westminster School for children with special needs.

Mr Worthington said the development of the campus was one of the biggest challenges he faced during his time at St Michael's.

Mike Wilkes, who was deputy headteacher at St Michael's School, will become the acting headteacher.

Tributes to 'a real lady' who died aged 108

TRIBUTES have been paid to Nancy Corri, who was Sandwell's oldest woman before she died on the eve of her 109th birthday.

Nancy, who was born Amelia Ann Haynes, was raised in Smethwick and lived in Windmill Lane until 2009, before she moved to the Dingle Meadow Nursing Home in Golden Crest Drive, Oldbury.

Her niece Shirley Aston last week called her a "real lady who never asked for anything in life".

Mrs Aston, aged 75, added: "She said she lived so long because of hard work and the Smethwick air but I think it was also because she was contented in what she had. She never moaned and she was lovely.

"I spent a lot of my childhood with her and she was always a perfect auntie.

"She was ready to go I think though.

"She had this saying that she wanted to go and join the steady folk, and she meant to join the people in the cemetery."

Nancy, whose mother Ann died when she was two years old, worked in a factory in the Jewellery Quarter before moving on to W & T Avery Ltd at Soho Foundry, Smethwick, where she worked on the factory floor for 37 years.

She spent much of her early life living at home and caring for father Frank Haynes and step-mother Clara Haynes, before meeting her husband Ernest Corri at Avery's.

They married when Nancy was 52 and since his death in 1974 she had lived alone.

Her favourite singer was Elvis Presley and she was a member of the Jay Seventies, a singing group of elderly ladies who visited clubs and care homes.

She shopped for elderly friends in her spare time, as well as borrowing around 12 books a month from the mobile library.

Nancy when she celebrated her 108th birthday with, centre, Dawn Ward, carer, and Marilyn Cutler, activity co-ordinator, at Dingle Meadow Nursing Home, and left in her mid 20s

Albion legend Cyrille Regis, front, draws the raffle with sprinter Shannon Wallace, aged 16, right and pub landlords Jackie Bell and Gordon Booker

Cyrille supports sprinter Shannon's Olympic dream

BAGGIES legend Cyrille Regis was guest of honour as a Wednesbury pub showed its support for a top teenage athlete.

The ex-footballer, aged 53, drew the winning raffle tickets for the competition organised at the Old Mill pub, Rydding Lane.

The draw was run in aid of 16-year-old sprinter Shannon Wallace, from Wednesbury, who hopes to compete in next year's London Paralympics.

Landlords Jackie Bell and Gordon Booker staged a weekend of events to raise money to help Shannon, who has cerebral palsy, pay her training costs. The events, which included a race night, karaoke evening and raffle with a donated 32-inch television as the star prize, raised more than £1,100 for Shannon.

Ms Bell said: "Shannon's dad Walter is a regular in the pub and we came to know about her training.

"Walter is also a friend of Cyrille's so he was able to get him to come along."

Mr Regis said: "I was pleased to help."

Top business lecturer dies at age of 56

TRIBUTES have been paid to a Tipton-born professor and author who worked at one of the most prestigious business schools in Europe.

Professor Michael William Brookes, who had been living in France for more than 30 years, has died aged 56.

He went to Tipton Green Infants and Junior School and later Tipton Grammar School and Alexandra High School before being accepted to study Medieval French at Exeter University. He was the lead chorister under Abraham Gill at St Matthew's Church, Tipton.

His academic achievements included a BA from Exeter, a master's degree from Paris X Nanterre and a doctorate at the Sorbonne in 1982.

In 1988, he created a language department from scratch at the University of Versailles. He was head of department from 1988 to 1996.

In 1996 he moved to the École des Hautes Études Commerciales de Paris. He was a professor there for 15 years. Mr Brookes died on August 4 while back in the Black Country to visit his mother and was laid to rest at Ogerous in France on August 23. He leaves a wife, Dominique, three sons and two grandchildren.

Albion parking plan will continue

A TRIAL car parking scheme to tackle problems in the shadow of The Hawthorns football ground will be extended for the rest of the season.

Fans of West Bromwich Albion and visiting fans will be able to leave their cars in Lewisham Park at the bottom of Halfords Lane for £3, under the Sandwell Council scheme.

Nearby residents' complaints prompted the move, after they were plagued for years by fans parking in their spaces and blocking driveways on match days. Councillor Derek Rowley, the borough's safer neighbourhoods chief, said: "The scheme will be extended for the whole of the season.

"Hopefully we can use the park every week but that will depend on the ground conditions.

"The only reasons we would not be able to use it every week would be if the conditions became too bad to use and that's going to be down to the winter weather.

"Residents have welcomed this scheme. It's much needed in the area to relieve problems."

Lewisham Park, which is just over a quarter of a mile from The Hawthorns, will take around 500 cars and was first used for Albion's first home game against Manchester United.

Council chiefs are currently drawing up £20,000 plans for double yellow lines and signage on roads near the club to stop matchday parking problems.

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Charity events for hospital

A WEEK of fundraising activities at Sandwell Hospital later this month will raise cash for equipment to help treat cancer sufferers.

The outpatients department of the hospital, in West Bromwich, will host the events, which will run from September 27-October 1. It has been organised to coincide with Upper Gastrointestinal Cancer Awareness Week by the Upper GI Blues, a fundraising group based at the hospital. Money raised will go towards a narrow endoscope tube.

A soft toy lucky dip will be held on September 27 from 10am-3pm with a prize every time for those taking part.

A big prize tombola will be held the following day.

Jewellery and goods will go up for sale on September 29, as well as books, puzzles and bric-a-brac. A homemade cake raffle will then be held on September 30 to coincide with Macmillan Cancer Support's World Largest Coffee Morning.

A balloon race will round off the week on October 1, with £1 entry fee and a £25 cash prize for the sponsor of the winning balloon and the person who returns the winning balloon's tag to the hospital.

Last year's winner was a nine-year-old girl who returned the tag from a village in the French Alps, more than 760 miles away.

New £1m store is set to open

A £1 MILLION pound cash and carry depot will open its doors in Smethwick today, Thursday, creating 30 jobs.

Soho Cash and Carry was unveiling its third depot in the West Midlands.

Bosses at the family run Midlands-based business say they hope to expand the firm and plan to open four more branches across the country.

Business development manger Ash Kalia said: "We are looking forward to opening a depot in Smethwick. It's great news for the Black Country, especially in times like these.

"We've spent just over £1m refurbishing the building and paying all the lease fees."

The jobs created at the depot on Sandwell Business Park, Crystal Drive, include drivers, administration and warehouse staff. The 45,000 sq ft premises had been empty for the last three years.

Mr Kalia added: "The depot had been empty for the last three years so it's great it is being brought back into use again."

A real F1 racing car, worth £800,000, will be the main attraction at the depot's official opening, next day on Friday September 9.

Members from the Force India F1 Team will also be on site from 9am-5pm.

The new centre will be open seven days a week.

Settlement for woman in bungled procedure

A MOTHER-OF-TWO from Tipton has won a substantial payout after she lost more than nine pints of blood during a Caesarian procedure at Russells Hall Hospital.

Naurin Ahmed needed three emergency operations and a hysterectomy, which will leave her unable to have more children, after her uterus was torn while giving birth to Muhammed.

But the tear went unnoticed by medical staff and the 43-year-old has now won a settlement from Dudley Group of Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

"The birth of our child should have been one of the happiest days of our life but it turned into a nightmare," said the former Sandwell Council designer.

Mrs Ahmed said she had to be treated with morphine for five days and that the bungled procedure, which was carried out in September 2007, left her unable to see her newborn son.

Mrs Ahmed's security guard husband, Tamseel, said he thought his wife might die. "It was the worse moment I have ever been through," he added.

The couple, who married in 2003 and also have a six-year-old daugher, Maryam, plan to use the payout from the trust to try to adopt another child.

The trust said: "Patient safety is the highest priority for the trust and we have reinforced all our procedures."

A family dog show to be held in park

AN event for dogs and their owners is being held at a Smethwick park next week.

All About Dogs will take place at Warley Woods on September 11.

The event is jointly organised between the RSPCA and Warley Woods Community Trust, and includes a family dog show with a range of categories suitable for size and breed of dogs.

There will also be demonstrations, including agility and heelwork to music, and the chance for people to try those activities themselves with their own pets.

Viv Cole, Warley Woods Trust manager, said: "It was a wet day last year, but still a good turnout – dog walkers have to go out whatever the weather.

"We are hoping for sunshine this year. The Community Trust is keen to build its relationship with the many dog walkers who bring their pets every day to Warley Woods where there is space to run. It is also an opportunity for us to promote and celebrate good pet ownership which is of benefit to all visitors to the park."

The event starts at 11am and finishes at 4pm with dog show classes running throughout the day.

Registration for the dog show starts at 10am.

Man, 28, in court over glass attack

A 28-YEAR-OLD man has admitted smashing a glass on someone at a Tipton pub on the same night a shot was fired. Roy Cross pleaded guilty at Wolverhampton Crown Court last week to wounding.

He glassed the 21-year-old victim at The Harrier, in Powis Avenue, at about 1am on February 26, cutting his neck.

Later that same morning, at 4.24am, a shot was fired at the pub, smashing through a window and hitting a bottle of vodka. At the time police were taking statements about an alleged brawl which had taken place.

Cross, of Powis Avenue in Tipton, was bailed and is due to reappear at Wolverhampton Crown Court, for sentencing on September 21.

Metal thieves strike

LEAD flashing and drain covers were stolen in a spate of thefts from streets in Wednesbury and West Bromwich. A gang of men in high-visibility jackets masquerading as council workers were seen loading metal into a van, according to residents.

The vandals struck on the Millfields Estate, stealing lead flashing from several house porches and drain covers on Surrey Crescent, Wednesbury and Hampshire Road, West Bromwich.

Counterfeit couple pay price over DVDs

THEY lived a lavish lifestyle with expensive purchases and holidays abroad. But Oldbury couple Simon and Trudy Evans are now facing the consequences after making £240,000 from setting up a fake DVD business.

Engineering firm supervisor Mr Evans began a 21-month jail sentence llast week for making the DVDs while receptionist Mrs Evans, who laundered their ill-gotten gains, was handed a 36-week suspended sentence for the next two years. She will also have to do 100 hours unpaid work.

Wolverhampton Crown Court heard the couple spent £25,000 on their daughter's wedding and bought a car – a £17,000 Honda FRV – plus a personalised number plate saying S15TRU with the money they made.Evans previously admitted 32 counts of counterfeiting DVDs and CDs plus five counts of transferring criminal funds. His admitted five counts of money laundering.

Mr Mark Jackson, prosecuting on behalf of Sandwell Council, said: "The Evans' were plainly living well beyond their means with criminal monies being used on luxuries including expensive holidays, motor vehicles, home improvements and electronics that they would simply never have been in a position to afford without the criminal funds generated from the counterfeiting operation."

Simon Evans – jailed for 21 months

Trading Standards officers raided their home in Borough Crescent on November 27, 2008, and found the house had been transformed into a mini counterfeiting factory. They found copying equipment as well as thousands of fake DVDs and music CDs, which included Hollywood films Quantum of Solace and Fantastic Four, TV box sets and pornographic movies.

The business, thought to have been running since 2003, had thousands of customers and the online operation required people to enter a password.

Four separate bank accounts were used, including one in the name of their daughter Abigail Nemedi, of Edison Way, Nottingham.

Arrested

She was arrested at Nottingham University and had faced three counts of money laundering. No evidence was offered and she was found not guilty.

Sentencing the pair, Recorder Malcolm Morse, said: "Not only was this counterfeiting business your principal source of income but it was a commercially run enterprise taking the place of your legitimate work."

After the case Sandwell's deputy trading standards manager Bob Charnley said: "This case was far more than a chancer on Sunday afternoon selling some DVDs. Simon Evans's operation was so sophisticated that he created a website that was made to look like you were at a fishing lake which was actually code as to how to purchase counterfeit DVD's, games pornographic material and music. Individuals were only able to access the website through express invitation and with a password which Simon Evans provided."

Mr Charnley said both Simon and Trudy Evans enjoyed a lifestyle which included exotic holidays, new cars, extensions on property, new kitchen and art deco wallpaper throughout their home which also included a complete marble bathroom suite. He said they had both laundered the funds they made through this criminal venture which he said trading standards would now seek to redress through a proceeds of crime application.

Sandwell trading standards officer Aaron Goode with seized goods

Mr Charnley added: "The message we wish to convey is no matter how sophisticated you may think a criminal operation is we will work tirelessly to identify any individuals found to be committing these offences."

Cabinet member for neighbourhood services Councillor Derek Rowley said: "I would like to again pay tribute to our trading standards officers, the police and other agencies for their professionalism and continued enthusiasm to identify and deter further individuals considering entering into this criminal activity."

The couple's semi-detached house in Oldbury

Crematorium is up for top award

SANDWELL Council's new £3.25 million crematorium is up for a national award.

The crematorium, built on the site of the old crematorium in Newton Road, has been shortlisted in the Best Community Building category of the National LABC Building Excellence Awards. The authority's bereavement services manager Brendan Day said: "Staff have received many comments concerning the new building and, in particular, how nice the new chapel is."

The crematorium opened a year ago after work started in 2009. It includes a cafe, new offices and improved parking. There is also an online music selection service where funeral directors and families can upload the songs or hymns they wish to have played.

The winners will be announced at a ceremony in London on November 1.

Drink driver, 25, is given a ban

A LATE-NIGHT trip to a halal meat takeaway has cost a West Bromwich man his driving licence.

Anshell Khan, aged 25, of Oak Road, had downed shots on a night out before getting a taxi home, Sandwell Magistrates Court in Warley heard. Khan decided to go out for food and was stopped by police driving in Alexander Road, Warley, at 2am on August 22.

Khan, who pleaded guilty to drink-driving, recorded a reading of 81 micrograms of alcohol in 100 millilitres of breath. The legal limit is 35.

He was banned last week from driving for 14 months and ordered to pay fines and costs totalling £450.

Harley Brazier in the finals of Miss Teen Queen UK

Harley, 16, aiming to be Teen Queen

THIS year's Wednesbury Carnival Queen will be strutting her stuff on the catwalk at the finals of a national beauty pageant.

Harley Brazier, aged 16, was crowned queen at the carnival in July, but will also be heading down to London for the final stages of Miss Teen Queen UK this month. It will a casual round, a bikini round and a ballroom gown round which Harley, along with about 50 other girls from across the country will compete in. The Wood Green Academy teenager, who lives with her parents Donna, 38, and Carl, 40, and her 19-year-old brother Nathan in Church Hill, Wednesbury, is making her own bikini.

She said she decided to make the costume because she has always been good at textiles, and found out last week she achieved an A* in the subject at GCSE. She said: "I just want to enjoy the experience."

£10m police station is all set to open its doors

THE new £10 million police station in West Bromwich will open its doors to the public on Friday. The station has been built on the corner of Moor Street and Bowater Street in the Lyng area of the town.

It has been built with funds from Tesco and when it opens the existing station in New Street will be knocked down and the site redeveloped as part of a £200 million regeneration of the town centre. Work on the new station began last April.

It will not have a custody block, which had originally been proposed for the site, but will instead now have more office space.

The custody suite at Smethwick will be used, however, police can also use Wednesbury if required.

The three-storey, terra-cotta and glass structure is the town's new headquarters and a total of 340 police officers will be based there.

Architects worked closely with West Midlands Police when designing the station, which has been funded by Tesco as part of its master-plan for redevelopment in the town.

Include

Once the officers have transferred across to the new site, work on the the 37-acre shopping and leisure complex can begin in earnest.

The scheme will include a Tesco Extra store, shops, restaurant and a cinema.

There will also be a 70-bedroom hotel, 217,000 sq ft of high street shops, car-parking and a public area.

The new police station is part of the wider multi-million regeneration of the town centre in West Bromwich.

£9,000 gate scheme to stop trouble

GATES costing £9,000 have been installed in alleys in Great Barr to combat problems with anti-social behaviour.

The seven lockable gates have been put in Jayshaw Avenue, Gorse Farm Road and Langford Avenue to stop troublemakers getting to the back of houses.

Residents have been calling for extra security for the past 15 years after problems with burglary and fly-tipping.

Only people living in the roads have been given keys so they can use the passages to access their garages.

Sandwell Councillor Dave Hosell, who represents the Newton ward and has been campaigning on behalf of the residents, welcomed the new gates but said now other people had asked for them.

"The residents are pretty chuffed," he said. "The problem is – everyone wants them now.

"There are a couple of other areas around there where residents say they would benefit from secure gates. "

These include those in Waddington Avenue and a separate part of Jayshaw Avenue.

"It'll be a question of whether we can find the money and if it can be justified," he said. "We can't just spend that kind of money willy-nilly."

Sandwell Council spent £2,500 fitting gates to secure alleys in Apsley Road, Oldbury, after residents reported similar problems.

Actor Ralph gets roped in

Ralph Ineson tries out the ropes aerial adventure

HE'S been part of the dark side of the Harry Potter films and managed to embarrass the cringeworthy David Brent in The Office, so actor Ralph Ineson clearly has a sense of adventure.

Ralph, who played Amycus Carrow in Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince as well as Chris Finch in Ricky Gervais' classic sitcom, put it to the test at a new facility in Sandwell Valley Park last week.

Ineson is friends with workers from Closer to the Edge, designers of the High Ropes Aerial Adventure Course.

It was opened as part of the Sandwell Show on Sunday and features a 40ft climbing tower, a high wire that winds around wobbly logs, bridges and hanging vines.

There is also a high-speed zip wire.

Prices on the course start from £5 per person.

Concert venue price cut

OWNERS of a Cradley Heath rock 'n' roll venue are still looking for a buyer after it was put on the market.

The Regis Suite in Reddal Hill, was up for sale for £900,000, but the price has dropped to £795,000.

Owners Tony Billingham and Carole Jenkins saved the building in 2008 when they bought it from Sandwell Council at auction for £500,000. It was given a £250,000 refit and has since hosted dinners, business meetings and live music events. The venue was famed for its music nights in the 1960s.

The Regis has three function rooms. The main suite seats 350 people.

It also has two offices, a catering kitchen, three stores and staff toilets and basement. There is also a staff car park for eight cars.

Mr Billingham said: "We are looking at a sale at the moment.

"A lot of people have wanted to rent it, but we are not worried at the moment.

"We have got some interest."

Library talk from artist

ARTIST Fred Barnfield will talk about his work and the artists who have influenced him at a coffee morning at Tipton Library.

Mr Barnfield of Rachael Road, Wednesbury will be bringing examples of his successful Washing Line series where he has reproduced a number of famous masterpieces onto cloth. The free event starts at 10am on September 22 but admission is by advance ticket only.

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MP calls for action on road safety plan

A LONG-AWAITED road safety scheme on the Sandwell/Walsall boundary needs reviving after stalling through government cuts, an MP has said.

Tom Watson MP for West Bromwich East is calling for traffic calming on Greenside Way, which cuts through the Yew Tree Estate. Last year, it was proposed to install speed bumps, zebra crossings, improved signage and lighting and 20mph zones on nine roads in the Yew Tree and Tamebridge areas in a bid to slash accidents.

The scheme would have affected 700 homes and it was hoped the first phase would be installed before the end of the last financial year but was dropped when Whitehall cut its road safety money to councils.

Initial plans, costing £480,000, were to introduce traffic calming measures in Greenside Way, Thorncroft Way, Birchfield Way, Plane Tree Road, Cherry Tree Avenue, Maple Drive, Woodruff Way, Ladbury Road and Larchwood Road.

These would have included new zebra crossings, realigning kerbs, improved pedestrian crossings and speed bumps.

Dig

But in the wake of cuts, Mr Watson is now calling for a scaled down version of the measures, after he cited years of "near misses" on Greenside Way.

He said Sandwell Council needed to dig into its own coffers for the work.

He said: "I've seen many near misses over the years. I have my surgeries there and I've seen children knocking footballs into the road and cars driving by at 40 and 50mph.

"I've asked the council to look at traffic calming for Greenside Way at least, if not the whole Yew Tree Estate, after speaking to the residents there."

Walking with bats at park

A SERIES of bat walks will be held at Haden Hill House Museum and Park in Cradley Heath.

Visitors can learn more about the mammals with a short talk and then take a walk into the park with bat detectors that make the high pitched sounds that bats make audible to humans so you can hear them fly and hunt moths.

Walks cost £3.50 for adults and £2 for children and will be held on September 14, 23 and 28.Places must be booked in advance 01384 569 444.

Extension to nursing home

A NURSING home in Smethwick will be overhauled to provide bigger bedrooms and extra facilities after getting the go-ahead for the work.

Bearwood Nursing Home, on Bearwood Road, is due to have a roof conversion, creating extra space for en suite bathrooms for 16 of its bedrooms, as well as extra fire exits.

David James and first customer Linda Morris, aged 43, of Walsall. His helpers were, back left to right, Sian Giles, Emma Danks, Mel Danks and Rebecca Powis, and middle, left to right, Vanessa Hissey, Marie Bayley, Katie Harper

David's charity bid is cut above the rest

A HAIRDRESSER took his skills on the road to raise cash for charity.

David James, aged 27, visited Asda in Great Bridge to give shoppers extreme hair makeovers.

He collected donations for the supermarket's Tickled Pink campaign, while making over customers in his Extreme Hair Makeover lorry at the Brickhouse Lane South store.

"It went fantastically, said David, who has a salon in Lichfield Road, Walsall Wood.

"I want to show women that looking good isn't all about what Gok Wan says. If your hair isn't looking good, you won't have the confidence, .

"You can put on an outfit and for that moment you will feel good, but if your hair's not looking good, it puts the overall look on a downer."

Among those he made over was a woman who had tried to make her black hair blonde but ended with a coppery and yellow colour.

David, from Willenhall, said: "I fixed it, and she was over the moon."

The amount raised is still to be counted.

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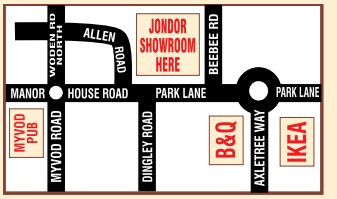

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Get a slice of the action

Robert Hazel gets set for the bread pudding competition

A CELEBRATION of Black Country food and drink will be taking place at Tipton Library.

Bread pudding will be one of the regional delicacies to be sampled at the event on September 24, from 10am to 3pm.

Recipes from residents are being put to the test in a bread pudding competition. People proud of their puds are invited to enter. Other specialities, including grey paes and scratchings, will be available.

Library's new chapter as pub about to begin

WORK to transform Oldbury's former library into a pub is due to begin soon. JD Wetherspoon will start work on the £1 million revamp of the empty building on Church Street on September 19.

As part of the revamp, the firm plans to convert the ground floor of the building removing all partitioning to create a public bar and customer area and they will build a kitchen. On the outside there will be a beer garden and changes to the parking area will be made.

Built in 1816, the Grade II listed building was initially a courthouse and the court room on the first floor of the building retains its original features.

Architect Andy Ince of Harrison Ince who is leading the work said: "We are using the history of the building and the local influences in many of the design features of the building.

"There are some lovely old beams, and structural features that makes it a very interesting design. Pubs used to be traditionally Victorian in style, but these days JD Wetherspoon focuses on using the building's own history to make it unique."

Mr Ince said they were unable to use the cells in the basement of the building because they were too small and that the courthouse on the first floor will also remain untouched.

Comfortable

He said: "The inside of the building will be simply designed and have a comfy atmosphere, but will also be visually stimulating. It is a reasonably-sized building and we want to make it feel as comfortable with four people in it as with 40 people in it. We will have one-off artwork on the walls and we hope to commission a sculpture by a local artist."

Mr Ince said from the outside residents will not notice too many changes. He said during the building process they may need to put up scaffolding for a short period of time but the majority of the work will be done inside the property.

Suspended sentence for metal theft man

A WORKER who stole thousands of pounds worth of metal from his employer has been given a suspended prison sentence.

Stephen Green took about seven tons of scaffolding from Wednesbury-based SBBS Building and Scaffolding and sold it on the cheap to a scrap metal firm in Oldbury.

The 42-year-old made just £1,200 from his venture, which was a fraction of the £7,000 value of the metal, Sandwell Magistrates heard last week.

Mrs Marion Bibb, prosecuting, said Green had delivered scaffolding across the West Midlands for SBBS for five years. The court heard that in June, Green, of Poultney Street, Hill Top, made two deliveries of metal he had stolen to TJ Metals, Oldbury. He received payments of £654 and £585 when the real value would have been about £7,000, said Mrs Bibb.

The court heard that Green had earlier pleaded guilty to one charge of theft.

Mr Malcolm Fowler, defending, said: "This defendant has had a miserable time since his arrest and he has brought all of that on himself". Chairman of the bench Mr Peter Whitehouse said the offence crossed the custody threshold, although magistrates decided to suspend the 12-week prison term for 12 months. Green will have to pay back £2,000 and carry out 200 hours community service. He will also be on be supervised by the Probation Service for 12 months.

Buffet firm can carry on trading

A WEDNESBURY catering company, which has operated in the town for the past 12 years has been granted retrospective planning permission – allowing it to stay open.

Buffet Express, which is part of a parade of shops on Trouse Lane, has traded since 1999 without the correct planning permission.

However owners have now been given the nod to carry on trading.

William Ingram, of Edgbaston-based Plan Survey, acting on behalf of Buffet Express, said: "My client originally took over the premises in 1999 and continued with the same business as before, assuming that the necessary planning permits were in place.

He has successfully carried out his business and has been a good neighbour."

Planning officers used delegated powers to approve the application.

Uni to host careers fair

DOZENS of jobs in the accountancy and finance sectors will be up for grabs at a careers fair in Birmingham next month.

The University of Birmingham is hosting the event on September 13 where Government bosses are looking for new recruits.

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Decision on store delayed

THE decision on a new supermarket which is due to create 30 jobs in Sandwell has been deferred by planning chiefs for a site visit.

The Midlands Co-operative Society wants to build the store on the site of the former Hangman's Tree pub, in Oakham Road, Tividale.

Shops and a veterinary practice are also planned as part of the scheme.

Members of Sandwell planning committee decided they would visit the area before making a decision on September 21. New homes had been lined up for the site, but the plans were never brought forward.

West Midlands developer Stoford Retail has submitted the planning application on behalf of the Co-op for development of the new store, surgery and 2,000 sq ft of retail space.

The plans include proposals for a fence at the northern boundary of the site to prevent disturbance to residents living in Regent Road.

There are no supermarkets near site but there is a small shop in Wheatsheaf Road.

Grilled food starts blaze

FIRE crews were called after food under a grill at an Oldbury home caught fire. It happened last week at the address in Barston Road.

Watch commander Clazz Ebanks said a 65-year-old woman had forgotten about the food.

He said: "She did try and put the fire out using some water, but it was an electric oven so she got out of the house, closed the door and called the fire service."

Wednesbury 2000 members Paul Westwood, Mavis Hughes, John Allen, Edna Baker and Robert Evans at the refurbished post office

Old post office delivers service

A FORMER Wednesbury post office, which has been turned into a home for many community groups, is celebrating the finishing touches of a refurbishment worth more than £50,000.

Charity Wednesbury 2000 – along with volunteers from Lea Brook Methodist Church – won lottery cash in 2009, and part of the building has been turned into a youth centre.

The Centrepoint Project at the Holyhead Road site is running, and the building is also home to groups like The Wednesbury War Memorial Group, The Staffordshire Bull Terrier Heritage Centre and the West Bromwich Rail Model Club.

John Allen, from Wednesbury 2000, said as well as the £50,000 lottery grant, the group received a further £2,750 from Sandwell Council of Voluntary Organisations to instal a ramp.

And Stair Fabrications Ltd, which is based on the Corngreaves Trading Estate, provided free handrails.

Search to find top Tiptonian

ORGANISERS of an annual awards ceremony are looking to find community stalwarts as the Tiptonian of the Year awards are launched.

It marks the 20th year for the awards and organisers are now urging people to make nominations.

Organised by Tipton Civic Society, the awards celebrate those who have done a lot for the town, and past recipients include charity fundraisers and those who run community groups.

This year's event will be held at Tipton Conservative Club on November 19.

Rob Williams from the society, who founded the award with Barry Whitehouse, said: "This year marks the 20th year of doing this. We are looking to make it a really good year as it is a milestone.

"We are looking for a person that has done charitable work for Tipton.

"The Tiptonian of the Year must live and work in Tipton and their efforts must be involved in Tipton itself."

Community

Last year Malcolm and Gundi Jones, who have been helping organise community events such as the Tipton Canal Festival, Tipton Carnival and charity fundraisers won the accolade.

Other previous winners include Joan and John Bayliss in 2005, Pauline Hodgetts in 2003 and Joe Gripton in 1997.

Joan and John Bayliss were giving the honour for their work at Tipton Royal British Legion, which included raising thousands for poppy appeals.

Ray Brothwood, a member of Tipton Civic Society, won the first award for his work with the Special Olympics team in Tipton and for his fundraising.

Nomination forms for this year's event will be available from Tipton Library, Great Bridge Library, Brook Street Community Centre and St Paul's Community Centre. Entries close on November 3.

Baggies offering a match app

WEST Bromwich Albion has launched a new digital version of its match day programme. It is one of the first clubs in the country to offer the service.

It means Baggies fans can get their hand on the programme on an iPad or on computers even if they cannot make it to The Hawthorns. Digital programme's are priced at £1.99 per issue, or people can subscribe to the whole 2011/12 season for £19.99.

They can be downloaded to the iPad from the WBA programmes App from the App Store.

Club spokesman John Simpson said: "This is a great way for supporters who cannot get to a game to still get their hands on a matchday programme."

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Book on park is handed to pupils

MORE than 70 books about a woman's memories of a West Bromwich park have been given out to youngsters in the town.

The Friends of Dartmouth Park group has been handing out the book, Children's Stories of Dartmouth Park, to pupils at King George V Primary and Eaton Valley Primary.

It was written by Betty Finney, who is in her 80s.

"The book has been really well-received," said Carol Hartill, secretary of the friends.

Hoping

"The children all love it. We've sold lots of copies to members of the public too.

"It has been so popular that we only have a few copies left.

"We're hoping we can reprint it for next year."

The book contains several of Mrs Finney's memories.

In one recollection, she describes how two park maintenance men – Ron and Tom – saw what they thought was a dog wander into their workshop.

When they went to investigate they saw a lion eating Ron's lunch.

Another account describes how she was sleeping with her window open when an owl landed on her window sill.

Anyone who wants to buy one of the books should send a cheque for £3 to Friends of Dartmouth Park, c/o New Street Lodge, Dartmouth Park, West Bromwich, B71 4AS.

Wendy Murray from the RSPB Sandwell Valley Nature Reserve is hoping the old building, which was destroyed in a fire, will soon be replaced

Celebration as nature project wins £50,000

A NATURE reserve has received a £50,000 boost towards building its new visitor centre.

RSPB's Sandwell Valley Nature Reserve won funding from the first round of Ibstock Cory Environmental Trust's (ICET) 10th Birthday Celebration Fund.

The reserve needs more than £250,000 to complete the project to replace the old centre that was destroyed in an arson attck in March 2010. It will now go on to compete against two other regional winners in November for a chance to secure a further £100,000.

Renata Astle-Lunt, the valley's regional development officer, said she was excited to have won funding. "The work will enhance significantly the experience that visitors have when they come to the Sandwell Valley Reserve," she said.

"We are now preparing for a presentation in November with a view to securing additional funding in their final round."

ICET secretary Angela Haymonds said the standard of applications was high. "Trustees decided that this project would benefit the local community significantly, creating a venue for visitors to meet and learn about the environment" she said. "The centre will become a community hub and provide a building satisfying the needs of people visiting the reserve."

Dog wedding fundraiser is friend's tribute

A CANINE marriage will be one of the events taking place at a fundraising walk in a Smethwick woods.

Dog owner Lindsey Evans of Kelmscott Road, Smethwick, has organised a number of Cavalier King Charles spaniel walks at Warley Woods in memory of her friend and cavalier dog fan Emma Jubb, who died aged 40 on December 18, in her home city of Huddersfield.

This time the walk at the Lightwoods Hill venue on October 2 will include the marriage of two cavalier dogs, as well as a number of other fundraising activities.

Mrs Evans said: "We are just having a bit of fun, and holding a doggy wedding.

"The dogs Roxy and Harvey will be dressed in wedding outfits and we will have a little ceremony.

"We are just going to ask people to sponsor the wedding as well as join in the dog walk.

"As well as raising money for Emma's favourite charity during the walk, Humberside Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club, we will also be raising funds for the PDSA, the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals."

Entrance to the walk is a £1 per dog. The event starts at 1.30pm with the wedding ceremony at 2pm. The walk is expected to end at around 4.30pm.

Donations for the Walk for Emma will be £1 per dog.

Action demanded over eyesore skips

EYESORE skips are blighting lives of Sandwell residents, with 39 prosecutions for blocking public highways without a licence in the past two years.

Latest figures show the use of skips has soared , with permit numbers jumping from 1,662 skips in 2009-10 to 1,774 in the last financial year.

There are 42 skip hire companies registered with the council but almost of a quarter of the current number – 10 companies – have been de-registered in the last two years.

Issuing permits has brought in £88,856 for the council in that time but the profit has been cut by the legal costs of 39 prosecutions at magistrates court to pursue unlicensed skip users, who were blocking streets and highways for drivers and people trying to park outside their own homes.

Councillor Ray Nock, leader of the Tory opposition, wants a crackdown.

He said: "I think we honestly need to police this area of the council's business much better. We need to think what's traversing our borough and we need to avoid legal costs as much as possible when resources are stretchedt."

The council, which revealed the figures after a request under the Freedom of Information Act, was unable to say when household waste had been dumped on skips on public highways without a licence, as it was down to the Environment Agency to police.

Councillor Nock said a clampdown would need agencies and Black Country authorities working together.

Twins tune into new group

MUSICAL twins from West Bromwich are setting up their own choral society. Stephen and David Partridge are founding the Charlemont Choral Society to enable others to enjoy music as much as they do.

Both of the 18-year-olds, of Charlemont Crescent, play the violin and piano, and after receiving their A-level results have each secured a place at Birmingham Conservatoire to further their musical studies.

The identical brothers, who already teach music, hope that by setting up the society they can pass on some of their musical know-how to others living in the area.

Stephen said: "We want to show people how fun it is to be singing in a choir."

The society will meet weekly at St Mary Magdalene Church Hall, Charlemont Farm. The first meeting is being held this Saturday from 3pm to 5pm.

There are no auditions and all are welcome to attend. Each rehearsal is £3. For details call 07963 894282.

Safety poster girl

Tiannah Pamplin-Bennett with her design

AN 11-year-old pupil from The Lyng Primary School, West Bromwich has won a poster design competition to promote site safety at Barratt West Midlands' The Lyng development.

Tiannah Pamplin-Bennett entered the competition where she put into practice what she learnt on an educational tour of the development, which was organised in a bid to teach children all about the dangers of playing on a building site.

Her bold and colourful design was chosen tahead of second place Selina Kaur and third place Amrita Clair after the judges were impressed by the detail of her poster, which discourages children from playing on dangerous building sites.

It will be made into poster which will be hung around the development to warn other children of the dangers of playing on building sites.

Step out to help boost stamina

NEW walking sessions for Sandwell residents who want to improve their health begin today (Thursday).

Sandwell Primary Care Trust has set up Walkwell, which willbe held on Thursdays fortnightly at Neptune Health Park, in Tipton, from 1-6pm. The assessments are free, and participants also get a free pedometer and diary to record progress.

Where participants make a health improvement, they also get sent vouchers through the post as a reward. These vouchers may be up to £40 in value.

The scheme will be in addition to Sandwell Stride walks, which take place every Monday and Wednesday from Neptune Health Park at 10.30am and take in the canals and parks in Tipton.

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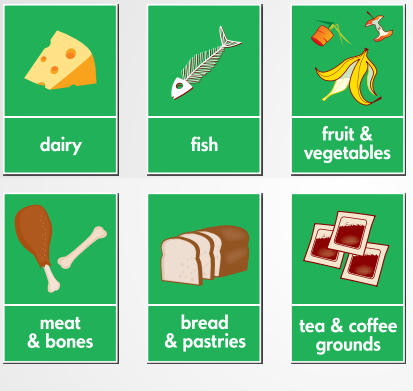

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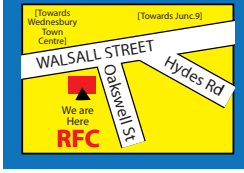

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Residents to fight plan for rubbish depot

MORE than 70 residents have signed a petition objecting to plans for a rubbish depot near their homes in Wednesbury.

A planning application has been submitted to Sandwell Council for the recycling plant in Woden Road South. It would mean up to 10 skips a day being delivered to the site and mechanical digger vehicles working to sort through waste. But residents are not happy with the proposal and have vowed to challenge it.

Rashida Jarrett, who lives in nearby Burrs Drive, has launched the petition in objection to the proposal. "I'm not happy about it at all," said the 30-year-old youth worker. "It's a residential area and I don't want to see lorries and skips coming up and down the road. It's also going to affect the value of my home

"I've sent a letter to the councillors in my area for support and have also sent one to the head of the council to object to the plan."

So far, 75 people have signed the petition.

The application has been submitted by Mohammed Akhtar. If agreed, the access to the depot will be from Woden Road South, through a gated entrance. The site would be open between 8am and 5pm Monday-Saturday and employ three people.

Improve

Documents submitted to the council said the only , no building work required, was the re-instatement of a staff kitchen.

Wednesbury councillor Olwen Jones said the plant was unnecessary, as a £20 million scheme to improve waste services in Shidas Lane, Oldbury, has already been approved.

"I support the residents in their petition because it is the wrong location for this kind of development," said Councillor Jones. "This sort of thing does not need to be in a residential area."

Heroes power fun day

Fund raising super heroes. Adam Ruston as Woody, Nick Wildman as Mr Incredible, Lee Hollis as Banana Man and Matt Carey as Matt the fortune-telling gypsy

THERE will be a host of superheroes at npower's offices in Birch House, Oldbury when they come to support a fund raising fete in aid of Acorns Children's Hospice.

There will be more than 20 stalls and organiser Beccy Slowgrove has called on local people to support the event on Saturday, September 17 between noon and 4pm.

"We want to raise as much money as possible for Acorns as it is such a wonderful cause," she said.

"It is going to be a real family fun day so everybody who feels they would like to pop down is more than welcome; the more the merrier!"

The day is expected to raise £3,000.

Leisure boost for new pool

EXTRA leisure facilities could be built into the £13 million swimming pool in West Bromwich, under Sandwell Council's contract for the scheme.

The council is marketing the opportunity to design, build and operate the leisure centre, which is due to be built on land off Moor Street and Bromford Lane and is scheduled to open in 2014.

Under the arrangement, the council would set fees for the use of the facility, and the private operator would meet minimum requirements set by the authority for equipment inside, but would also have the opportunity to add extra equipment to improve their offer.

The council has already specified minimum requirements to include a main pool, a teaching pool, a four-court sports hall, gym and refreshment area.

Council chiefs are currently whittling offers down to three consortia who are bidding for the scheme.

Pizza place in approval

A FORMER West Bromwich newsagents will be turned into a pizza take-away after winning a battle with a fast food rival.

David Jones, of Tipton-based DJ Design, won permission to change the old Forbuoys Newsagents in Jowetts Lane, Hateley Heath, into a pizza take-away.

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Stolen haul belonged to Albion stalwarts

Cup medals theft has family reeling

A FAMILY has been devastated by the theft of the FA Cup winner's medals of a stalwart father and son who represented West Bromwich Albion.

Fred and Alan Everiss were the backbone of Albion for more than a century. The medals were stolen on a raid on a family member's home in Great Wyrley, near Cannock.

Thieves broke into the home of 66-year-old Pam Everiss while she was on holiday, also taking thousands of pounds of jewellery.

Alan Everiss, her late father-in-law, was a director and secretary at the Hawthorns for more than 65 years. One of the stolen medals was his. It was presented to him after the club's Wembley triumph over Everton in 1968.

The other medal belonged to his father Fred Everiss, the longest serving football manager in history, who was running the club in 1931 when the Baggies won the FA Cup for the first time – beating Birmingham City in the final. His stint at manager spanned 46 years, from 1902 to 1948.

The precious heirlooms were locked in a safe which the thieves wrenched from a bedroom wall after breaking in through a front bedroom window.

Mrs Everiss, who runs the Meteor garage in Lombard Street, West Bromwich, discovered the break-in when she returned from Spain on August 30. She is the widow of Alan's son David. Alan died in 1999.

Mrs Everiss said: "I didn't notice at first because they didn't touch the ground floor.

Devastated

"It was only when I went upstairs that I saw the damage and realised what had happened.It's so upsetting.

"As well as the cup medals, all the jewellery my late husband had given me over 40 years was stored in the safe. I'm devastated."

Among the jewellery stolen were two double pearl necklaces, a platinum choker, ruby earrings and a diamond engagement ring that belonged to her mother.

Son Chris, a 38-year-old digital marketing manager, also of Great Wyrley, said the stolen property was of huge sentimental value.

"We're very proud of the family's long association with Albion. The medals used to be kept in a bank vault – I didn't see them until I was 13.

"But, equally, the jewellery meant everything to my mother."

Long-serving boss Fred Everiss

Former club director Alan Everiss

Pam Everiss with her son Chris, devastated over the theft of the FA Cup medals

Top posts go in cull of council's senior managers

A SHAKE-UP of senior managers at Sandwell Council to save £2.5 million a year has finished, with the authority shedding a total of 36 posts.

The authority began trimming down its top tier of management from 26 to 14 to save £1.1m in April last year before an extra director left the authority this year, leaving a 13-strong board in charge.

The second stage has seen the axe fall on the next level, cutting the total numbers of senior managers by more than a third from 99 to 63.

The restructure also saw a review of pay grades. The authority is battling to save £75m by 2015.

This move is saving £2.5m a year in senior management and administrative costs.

Council leader Councillor Darren Cooper promised a management restructure "from the top down" to achieve savings and the latest phase of cuts are the end of a scheme set in motion more than a year ago.

Significant

He said: "We have done further de-layering on top of these changes and made further significant savings, taking the total figure to around £2.5m.

"I made it very clear when I became leader of the council that I thought there were far too many managers and set about an efficiency agenda given the massive cuts we had to make.

"That efficiency agenda started at the top, rather than bottom up."

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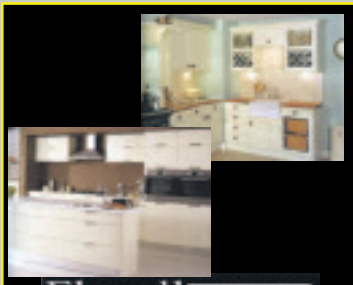

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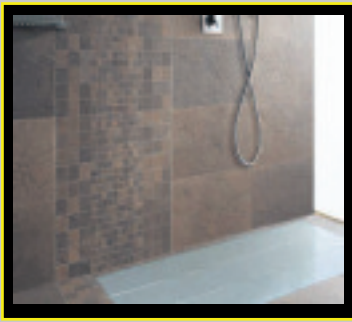

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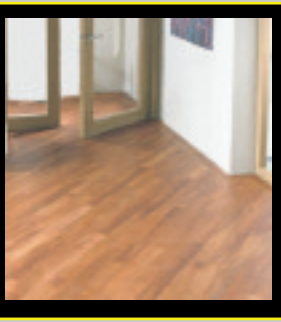

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Police seek youth

POLICE want to speak to this boy after a 13-year-old was robbed of his mobile phone in Smethwick.

It happened as the teenager was riding his bike past the Best Inn Hotel, Wolverhampton Road.

He was approached by another boy who asked him the time. The youngster took out his Blackberry Curve phone, answered the boy and attempted to continue his journey.

But it is alleged the offender then grabbed his bike, pushed him to the floor and took his mobile on July 11 at about 7pm.

The offender is described as black, about 5ft 10insand slim build.

He was wearing a blue and white hooded top.

A boy matching this description was captured on CCTV and anyone who can name him should contact Smethwick CID on 0345 113 5000 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

The CCTV image of the boy who police want to speak to

Traders still waiting for recovery from road work

TRADERS affected by 10 months of misery from a £3.5 million roadwork scheme fear it will be months before takings return to their previous levels.

The A4100 scheme in Cradley Heath started in October last year in an effort to tackle on-street parking and traffic congestion.

During 10 months of woe, owners of The Regis Suite, Reddal Hill Road, put it on the market after attendance and takings from the carvery dipped by more than half.

Council contractors speeded up work to reopen roads to two-way traffic three months early because of traders' concerns.

Businesses said they felt the scheme would have a positive impact in the long-term, but that would not be felt for months.

Dave James, who runs Cradley Heath Army Stores, Upper High Street, said: "I'm 25 per cent down on what I took at this time last year. The roadworks definitely had an effect.

"It will take months to get back to normal as it will take that long for people to realise its all reopened.

"It will be Christmas before passing trade is back to what it was."

Warren John McCabe-Smith, joint owner of TeeT Shirts, Reddal Hill Road, saw footfall drop from around 30 people a day to less then 10.

He said: "I think it will take a weeks at least to get back to normal. Passing trade is getting better though.

Impact

"I think it's going to have a positive impact in the long term, it can never be a bad thing to have extra parking near shops as well."

Reddal Hill Road and Upper High Street became one-way streets during the work to widen roads and create new kerbs and parking bays.

It was the third time in five years that engineering work hit businesses on the road.

Pay scheme funds museum day out

A GROUP of youngsters from Sandwell deaf community association stepped back in time thanks to the boost of a local business.

Staff, volunteers and signers took 18 members to the Black Country Living Museum for a tour. The day was thanks to West Bromwich branch of Pertemps which adopted the association for a payroll charitable donation.

Association manager Leanne Hickenbottom-Marriott said: "The employees' contribution enabled everyone who attends our summer activity scheme the most wonderful opportunity to enjoy an educational trip out. Not only did they arrange and fund the day but each child received a museum gift and lots of Cadbury chocolate."

For more information about Sandwell deaf community association call 0121 525 5347.

Council man in new role

A FORMER Sandwell Council worker has been appointed to a new top role developing community sport in the West Midlands.Tony Costello, aged 51, from Cradley Heath, was been appointed partnership director at Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire Sport – the county sports partnership for the region. Mr Costello joins after working for Sandwell Council for 21 years.

Two mediums at pub event

A WEST Bromwich pub will host an evening of spiritual communication with mediums Allan Jones and Karen Erison.

The event at the Old Mill Pub on Rydding Lane will include a stage session as well as private readings.

There will also be a chance to take part in spiritual communication via glass through the spirit board and human pendulum. The night, on Monday, September 12, from 7.30pm, will include a gift stall and a raffle.

Cashpoint yes

SHOPPERS in Smethwick will have a shorter wait for their money after Sandwell Council granted the Natwest permission to install a second cashpoint at its High Street branch.

Town plan to relocate station is put on hold

PLANS to move a train station in Smethwick to tie in with the town's multi-million pound regeneration plans have been put on ice.

Transport authority Centro had said Smethwick Rolfe Street station could relocate to Soho Way, closer to Birmingham, as part of development planned for the town.

It would help residents at two new housing developments, and it could improve access to the £370 million Midland Metropolitan hospital due to be built in Grove Lane.

Centro said the move was possible as part of a future rail development plan, which would need to be developed with Sandwell Council.

But council regeneration chief Councillor Ian Jones has said the initiative would not be possible until more cash was available.

He said: "Funding has been dramatically reduced by Government for local authorities, and without that money you cannot deliver schemes of this scale.

"It is an aspiration for the future but it would need significant investment and I can't see where that's coming from. The likelihood the station will move in the near future is remote."

Councillor Jones said moving the station would be reconsidered once the new hospital was built and the housing developments completed.

Matt Harper, left, Dave Morgan, Niki Newdell, Myles Haines and James Affleck

Music makes the cash roll in to help charities

STAFF at a Great Barr pub have been counting the pennies raised at a live music event for four charities.

The event, which featured eight bands, was held at the Malt Shovel, in Newton Road, and the money will go to Help for Heroes, the NSPCC, the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death charity (Sands) and Macmillan Cancer Care.

More than £650 has been raised already with several buckets still to be emptied as bar collections continue.

Assistant manager of the pub Dave Morgan said the event went well despite the wet weather as gazebos had been set up for punters to continue watching the performances in the beer garden.

He said: "It went really well. Unfortunately, the heavens opened which meant a few people were cowering inside for a while.

"The music has been a little bit of everything."

The bands played a mix of blues, solo ballards and rock at the event, which went on into the night.

Staff wore charity T-shirts to get people in the mood for fundraising.

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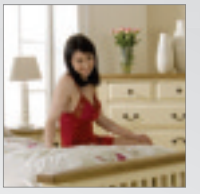

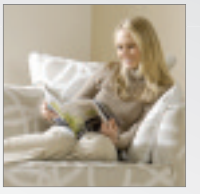

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Fighting for the future

AROUND 800 people packed into a closure-threatened Tipton community centre to show their support in the campaign to keep it open.

The Brook Street Community Centre, which is owned by Sandwell Council, is facing closure as the council carryies out a review of properties in a bid to save cash.

Managers at the centre, which is home to dozens of activities including keep-fit classes and tea dances, have offered to buy the freehold of the building or take on the rent subsidy under a new lease deal.

However, the council is delaying a deal, insisting no decision will be made until its review is complete.

Following the success of the open day, campaigners are to protest outside the Council House on Freeth Street at the next meeting of full council state their case for retaining the centre.

Barry Whitehouse, secretary of the committee which runs the centre, said: "We've had a great deal of support so far and we're now going to protest on September 27."

At the open day, the centre treated community leaders and councillors to entertainment and a sample of the activities that take place at the centre, ranging from karate to sequence dancing, to show the strength of support. Manager Steve Downing said: "We've had about 800 people who have showed fantastic support.

"I hope councillors now know the feeling of the general public against the threat of closure."

Centre manager Steve Downing and Tipton Community Association member Karen Simms with supporters of the campaign

Church facelift hits cash block

WORSHIPPERS at Londonderry Baptist church, Oldbury, are considering a scaled down refurbishment plan after conceding it is unlikely they will be able to attract any funding.

Proposals for a massive revamp disappeared in May after a bid for a £35,000 grant from the Veolia Environmental Trust was turned down. It would have included a new entrance as well as making the toilets disabled friendly.

Due the economic situation, worshippers have decided any similar grant application is likely to be turned down by authorities.

Now they are looking at revamping the Bristnall Hall Road building themselves using limited church funds. Spokeswoman Netta Spafford said: "We are going to try and refurbish the toilets we have at the moment.

"We're not sure exactly what we can do yet but we have waited long enough and we badly need to get this done.

"The money is just not out there at the moment for projects like this."

Seeing

At the moment the church's toilets are not wheelchair-friendly because of the position of the door frames and the men's toilet has a step.

She added: "It will just be a case of knocking things out and seeing what we can do.

"There are no plans for any more grant applications or fundraising activities."

Take charity coffee break

PATIENTS and visitors to Sandwell Hospital can raise money for charity with a cup of coffee.

It is taking part in Macmillan Cancer Support's popular World's Biggest Coffee Morning on September 23 from 10am to 1pm in the main reception.

Cancer specialist Vicky Fellows said: "We see first hand at the centre the effect cancer has on people's lives.

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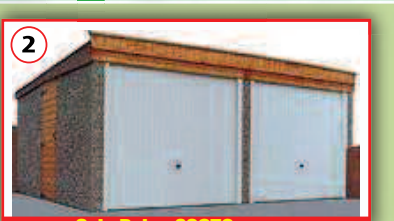
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Challenge for from left, Dan Hadley, Steve Hunt, Dave Westwood and John Hardwick

Golf challenge to raise funds

FOUR police officers from West Bromwich police station have taken part in the Macmillan Cancer Support 72-hole golf challenge to raise money for the charity.

The officers played the marathon game on 24 August at Sandwell Park Golf Club, who allowed them to play free of charge. The 72 holes are equal to four full rounds of golf and took 12 and a half hours to complete.

Team captain John Hardwick, aged 30, said: "We were worn out at the end of the day, but it was worth it. We walked more than 20 miles and took around 400 shots each. We are hoping to raise around £1,000."

John and team mates Dave Westwood, 25, Steve Hunt, 23, and Dan Hadley, 30, all work together on a neighbourhood response team and regularly play golf together each month.

They decided to combine their game with raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support after seeing the challenge advertised in Today's Golfer.

Dave said: "We have all lost someone close to us to cancer, so we thought it would be a good charity to support. I lost my dad six years ago and we found the support of the people at Macmillan really helpful during a difficult time for my family."

Anyone wanting to donate can do so at www.justgiving.com/72holegolfday

Campaign is launched on lung disease

THOUSANDS of people in Sandwell are unaware they have a potentially deadly lung disease, health experts warned today.

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease – an umbrella term for chronic bronchitis, emphysema and chronic obstructive airways disease – kills more people in the UK each year than bowel, breast or prostate cancer.

About 6,000 people in Sandwell were diagnosed with the progressive illness between April 2008 and March 2010 but it is believed there are more than 7,000 in the borough currently unaware they have it.

Now Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals Trust, which manages Sandwell Hospital as well as Rowley Regis Hospital, has launched a campaign to raise awareness. Anna McCall, a senior respiratory clinician at The Lyng Health Centre in West Bromwich, said: "Sandwell is a hotspot for Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

"It's partly because it's an area of deprivation compared with the rest of the country. It has a history of people working in industry – which can contribute to the disease – and it is also an area with a high smoking population.

"Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease is a slow progressive disease and people can have it for years without realising. Many people who have the disease in the mild or early stage dismiss the symptoms as an inevitable sign of becoming 'out of shape', getting older or think it is just a smoker's cough.

"In fact, many will only discover they have COPD when they need to go into hospital because their symptoms suddenly become much worse."

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, which causes about 25,000 deaths a year in the UK, normally affects people over the age of 35 who are, or who have been, smokers. The main symptoms are shortness of breath and a cough you cannot rid of. People with the disease have trouble breathing in and out, known as airflow obstruction.

Smoke

Their lungs become inflamed due to irritation, usually from cigarette smoke. It can lead to lung failure and heart disease.

As part of the trust's Know it Check it Treat it campaign, screening events have been held in the borough. Dr Imtiaz Ahmed, a respiratory consultant at Sandwell & West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust, said: "We are encouraging everyone in Sandwell at risk of the disease to Know it – by recognising the main symptoms of shortness of breath and persistent cough; Check it – by seeing their doctor or nurse if they experience any of these symptoms; and Treat it – by managing the disease effectively and making lifestyle changes."

Age UK shop struck by theft once again

A SANDWELL charity shop is counting the cost after it was targeted by thieves for the second time in a month.

Thieves broke into Age UK in Wednesbury causing thousands of pounds worth of damage.

They smashed doors and made off with thousands of pounds worth of stock. It follows another break-in around four weeks ago and shop bosses have described the latest theft as "soul destroying".

Assistant manager Jean Bowker, who has worked at the Union Street store for six years, said: "It is the second time in a month we have been broken into.

"Last time they didn't take anything, but this time they have really gone to town.

"They have taken a new computer system from upstairs that we have just had fitted and the monitor from behind the till, jewellery, DVDs, a lot of new goods that the charity buys in like toiletries, gift packs, new pyjamas and socks.

"It is a few thousands pounds worth of stock." The shop employs two members of staff and has 12 volunteers.

Mrs Bowker, aged 66, said she was first alerted to the break-in, which happened overnight on Friday, by her manager.

"The back door was smashed in," she said. "The manager turned up and rang me at about 7.15am and I came to help her out.

"The biggest problem is that most charities these days do buy in new goods and that is what they have targeted.

Mrs Bowker added: "I feel really angry. There is so much time and energy given to this shop from the volunteers and the staff and we are subject to this all the while, it is soul destroying."

Wednesbury South ward councillor Michael Middleton, said he was now calling on police to install a dome hawk camera in the area to improve security.

Anybody with information about the burglaries should contact police in Sandwell on 0345 113 5000.

Assistant manager Jean Bowker and volunteer Carolyn Langford outside the shop

New plans for former club

CARLTON Care group manager, Tony Billingham, has said plans are now being looked at as how to use an ex-servicemen's club in Smethwick which closed because to falling member numbers.

Carlton Care Group, which owns the neighbouring Poplars Nursing Home has bought the Smethwick Ex-Servicemen's Club site for £340,000.

Architects are now drawing up plans for the site of the former club which could see it merged with the care home.

The South Road club which is in the Paxton House building had been part of the town for more than 90 years. But bosses decided to sell it earlier this year, saying the business was unsustainable due to falling member numbers and dwindling income.

Mr Billingham said the club being put up for sale was an opportunity for expansion.

"We have to decide what we are going to do. Whether we will knock it down and build a new nursing home, we don't know.

"The club is twice as big as the nursing home so we have got a few options –whether to demolish and build a new one, or join the two together. Our architect is looking at it. No decisions have been made yet."

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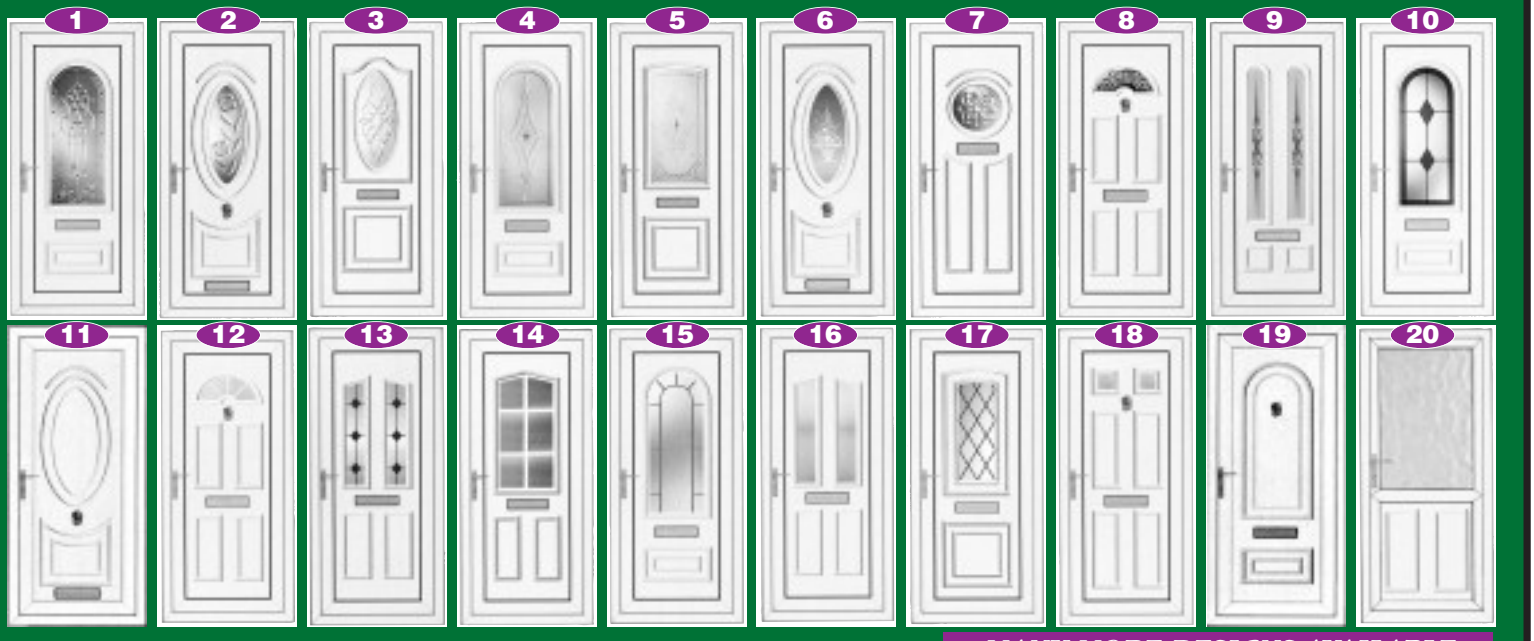

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Provider hunt for doomed nurseries

NEW providers are being sought to run two closure-hit nurseries in Sandwell.

More than 100 youngsters will be left without a nursery after the borough's primary care trust announced plans to close two sites, with the loss of 28 jobs.

The day facilities run by the trust within children's centres at Uplands Primary School, Smethwick and Friar Park Primary School, Wednesbury, are to close this month. The closures are due to changes in government policy, meaning the primary care trust can no longer run nurseries itself.

Now Sandwell Council is working with the schools to re-open the nurseries under new leadership.

Cabinet member for children and families, Councillor Bob Badham, said he wanted to reassure parents that the council wanted to help the schools to re-open both nurseries, as well as helping parents find new places for their children in the meantime.

He said: "These nurseries have been kept running by subsidies from the PCT. Now the PCT can no longer run these nurseries, and equally Sandwell Council cannot afford to take them over and pump money into subsidising nursery places.

Reassure

"To continue to provide childcare, these nurseries have to be made financially viable and not reliant on subsidy and Sandwell Council is simply not in a financial position to subsidise these places.

"But what we are doing is helping the two schools to either run the nurseries themselves or find an organisation to run the nurseries on the schools' behalf. We can also help parents of children at Uplands and Friar Park nurseries who need to make new arrangements for childcare by calling our Family Information Service.

"I would also like to reassure everyone that the two children's centres on the sites at Uplands and Friar Park are not affected by the closure of the nurseries."

Parents have been left worried about childcare provision after the announcement that the Sure Tots Manor, Uplands, and Londonderry nursery, Thompson Road, Smethwick and Our Place Sure Start nursery, Friar Park Road, will close at the end of September.

Youngsters show off skills

Steve Binns of Coachright, with Mitchell Magher, Gary Woodcock, Bradley Lowe, Jack Martin, Aaron Rolfe, and James Martin

YOUNGSTERS from Wednesbury and Walsall have played their part in a football competition organised as part of a scheme launched by the Prime Minister.

Almost 70 of them showed their skills at the event run by teenagers from Sandwell's Yew Tree estate.

The youths arranged the tournament for their National Citizenship Service qualification. The programme was launched by Prime Minister David Cameron as part of his Big Society initiative.

Steve Binns, from voluntary firm Coachright, which works in schools and communities to deliver sports programmes, said: "It was a fantastic day and it gave the guys who organised the event to show what they have learned.

"They went out there and recruited all the kids to take part, and it was all very successful."

The event took place at Pulse Soccer and Fitness on Friar Park Road, Wednesbury. It was partly funded by West Midlands Police.

The under-12 and under-14 sections were won by West Bromwich Juniors, while Friar Park Allstars won the under-16 contest.

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Fun and laughter at 10th comedy festival

There's a Glee Club appearance for Jack Whitehall

Andy Parsons – star of TV's Mock The Week show

ANDY Parsons, Jack Whitehall, Russell Kane and Stephen Merchant are just four of the big names looking to pull in the crowds for the 10th annual Birmingham Comedy Festival.

In total more than 60 performances have been lined up for the 10-day October event, including numerous television stars, award-winners, up-and-coming comedians and cult favourites. Former drugs baron turned writer Howard Marks will bring his one-man show to The Glee Club, while stand-ups Lucy Porter, Patrick Monahan, Hal Cruttenden, Rob Rouse and Take Me Out's Paddy McGuinness are also due to appear.

The festival takes in art, plays and quizzes, with multi-award-winning West End smash Legally Blonde: The Musical and new play The Panto Girls being two theatre highlights.

Improvised

One act likely to prove popular is The Boy With Tape On His Face – aka Sam Wills – whose improvised silent mime show was a big hit at last year's festival.

A noticeable musical thread is evident at the festival this year with a celebration of post-war American satirists Bob Newhart and Tom Lehrer, veteran pianist James Sherwood and guitarist/comedian Ashley Frieze.

Visual arts, sketch groups, mind-reading, multi-media performances, improvisation and more fill the busy schedule, which covers more than 20 venues throughout the city.

These include established arenas such as the Alexandra Theatre, the Town Hall and The Glee Club, as well as smaller more intimate venues like Scruffy Murphys and Jewellery Quarter's Red Lion pub.

In its 10-year history, the festival has included such famous names as Michael McIntyre, Peter Kay, Sean Lock and Jimmy Carr, attracting audiences of up to 86,000 people. A festival spokesman said: "We'd like to thank everyone who has been involved in making the festival such a huge success over the past 10 years.

"This city has a comic heritage to be proud of, but it's not something stuck in the past; it's constantly evolving with new acts and new comedy clubs appearing every year. If your only experience of comedy is sitting at home watching primetime variety TV or late-night panel shows, this festival offers the perfect introduction to what comedy can really offer.It can be exciting, thrilling, challenging, cheeky, affectionate, ridiculous and so much more."

The festival runs from October 7-16. Visit www.bhamcomfest.co.uk for a full list of shows, dates, venues and times.

Paddy McGuinness – an appearance at the NIA on October 6

Barbara Nice is appearing with the 'Gals' at the Glee Club, October 10

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Prison for kidnap role

A MAN involved in a kidnap plot which saw a plumber bundled into the back of a van and a knife held to his throat has been jailed for more than four years.

Michael Mendez waited for a pair of plumbers with four other men at a property in West Bromwich in January after they were lured on the pretext of fixing a boiler.

Mendez and the other masked men pounced on the plumbers, threatening them with a knife, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard last week. Mendez, aged 31, of no fixed address, admitted charges of kidnap and robbery. Two women, Kirsty Owen, aged 18, and Leanne Teague, 19, also admitted charges of kidnap and robbery at court on Friday but were not jailed.

Escape

One of the victims managed to escape but the other was bundled into the back of his own van and demands were made for money from him. Police officers arrived and the trio were arrested.

Mendez was sentenced to 52 months in prison. Owen and Teague were given two-year community orders each and ordered to do 200 hours of unpaid work.

Postman charged

A POSTMAN has appeared in court charged with delaying more than 5,000 postal packets while working in the Black Country. Shane Sohanpal, of Oldacre Road, Oldbury, was at Warley Magistrates Court charged with intentionally delaying 2,819 addressed and 2,346 door-to-door postal packets between May 19 and June 16. The 27-year-old did not enter a plea and the case was adjourned.

Kritesh Kishan Hari, 21, with the number plate, with mother Ramila Kishan Hari, 50, back, father, Kishan Naran Hari, 56, and brother, Devan, 17

Happiness on a plate

MANY youngsters dream of getting a car for their 21st birthday. Not Kritesh Hari from Wednesbury. When his parents offered him £20,000 to spend on his present, he chose to have a personalised number plate instead.

Kritesh is now the owner of the 1KKH plate. The K and H stand for his initials while the other K is for his father Kishan. He already owns a Renault Clio but has decided instead to put the new plate on his mother's upmarket Audi A5. "I absolutely love my new number plate," said Kritesh. "I love the fact its unique. It means something to me. It's my family name. I'm proud of my family name and I like the exclusivity of it."

Kritesh, whose parents run their a business buying and selling heavy haulage machinery, bought his number plate from a DVLA auction in Oxford. It cost £13,000 and he gave the remaining £7,000 back to his parents.

He is the fourth person in his family to buy one. His father Kishan has the plate HARI27N because he has two sisters and seven brothers. His 17-year-old brother Devan has the plate X18DKH, highlighting his birthday on January 18, while his older brother Nitesh, 27, has the plate 1NKH, his and his father's initials.

Kritesh is studying accounting and finance at Northampton University and says he does not need a car. He was given his Renault Clio as an 18th birthday present but is now planning to sell it.

"Personalised number plates keep their value a lot more than cars themselves," he said. "My older brother paid £30,000 for his in 2008 and now we think its worth £36,000.

"I'm insured on my mom's car so I can use that when I'm home from university."

Man, 29, is jailed for fake firearm

A MAN who brandished an imitation firearm on a West Bromwich street has been jailed for 12 months.

Latvian-born Edward Punculis kept the fake weapon tucked into the waistband of his trousers during the argument in June last year.

The 29-year-old, of Clifford Road, had been one of a number of men at a property in Hayes Street in the town who had been confronted by landlord Asam Kahn about unpaid rent, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard.

The court was previously told that Mr Kahn had gone to the property in Hayes Street and realised that a number of items were missing from the house. Punculis retreated when discussions turned heated and returned with the genuine-looking gun.

He pleaded guilty to being in possession of an imitation firearm with intent to cause Mr Kahn to believe unlawful violence was going to be used against him.

Mr Jasvir Mann, defending, told the court: "In the first instance he was told to deal with the matter amicably. That did not work. There was then a heated argument. I accept it looks very much like a real gun."

He added Punculis put the gun away before the police were called and officers arrested him on the scene.

Judge Martin Walsh told Punculis: "I have seen the imitation firearm. It is clearly not a toy."

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Councillor Bob Piper,
Abbey Ward.

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Dolly delights her many fans with night of rhinestone music memories

Dolly Parton, LG Arena

YOUmay have now reached pension age but Dolly your fans will always love you.

The packed LG Arena in Birmingham on Friday night made that very clear as they screamed for her to come on stage.

Many of them dressed in glittery stetsons, blonde wigs and checked shirts for the occasion and the age range was vast – some only just born when Dolly would have already been half way through her long musical career

As she walked out the stage, squeezed into a tight lime green rhinestone encrusted dress – this 65-year-old admits she buys her clothes two sizes too small then has them taken in – she was greeted by a tumultuous welcome.

Starting with *Walking on Sunshine* she said she wanted to spread love and happiness in these depressing times and the crowd certainly warmed to that message. There were frequent cries of 'We love you Dolly' as she ran through her vast repertoire including her new compositions and old favourites including *9 To 5, Here You Come Again* and *Jolene*.

Her voice is still pitch perfect especially on the ballads and she proved to be an accomplished musician playing the piano, guitar, banjo, recorder and mouth organ to name but a few

Throughout the show she spoke of her family and her humble beginnings and sang songs in memory of her mum, *Precious Memories* and *Coat of Many Colours*.

This *Better Day* tour is promoting her new CD out with the same name and it certainly couldn't have proved a better day for her and her many fans

It's now 44 years since her debut album Hello I'm Dolly. She has been working as a musician since she was nine and has written some of the best loved songs, including *I Will Always Love You*, which she came on and sang as her encore.

Sue Attwater

Top Hat, ties and tiaras

Top Hat, Birmingham Hippodrome

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Tom (of *Strictly Come Dancing* and *Holby City* fame) plays Jerry Travers, the famous American headliner who arrives in London to appear in his first West End Show. He meets Dale Tremont (Summer – star of *Love Never Dies, The Boy Friend* and *Hollyoaks*) and follows her across Europe in an attempt to win her heart with his song and dance routines.

Irving Berlin's celebrated score features such wonderful classics as *Cheek to Cheek, Let's Face The Music and Dance, Isn't It A Lovely Day To Be Caught In The Rain* and *Top Hat, White Tie and Tails*.

The dancing, particularly tap, was sensational and the characterisation very well done with the superb Bates butler character played by Stephen Boswell, who appeared in various different disguises, and Ricardo Afonso as Alberto whose misunderstanding of the language brought many laughs.

Many of the audience were also in bow ties and tiaras determined to make it a night to remember and it certainly was.

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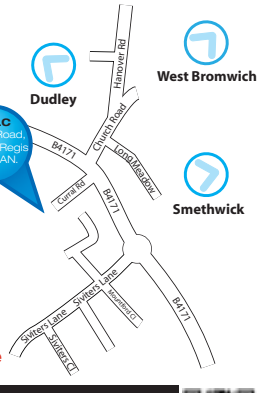

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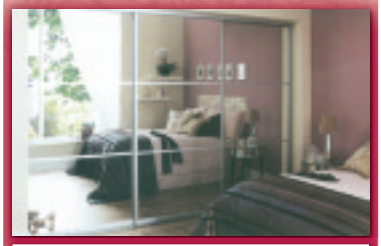
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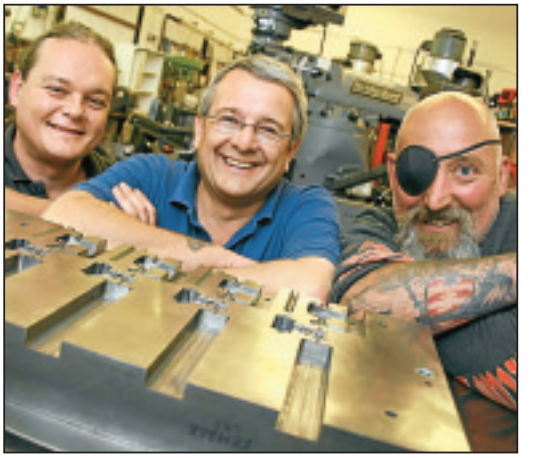
Engineer trio help to start a business

THREE engineers from Sandwell have tapped into support from Business Link West Midlands to turn redundancy notices into a fledging manufacturing business.

Roy Gannon, Dave Male and David Percival decided to put more than 50 years' combined industry experience to good practice to launch 3D Pattern Making & Engineering in last October year and are already on course to turnover more than £120,000.

The trio tapped into the knowledge of start-up adviser Kulwant Chawal in the early stages of development, accessing advice on legal documentation, accounting systems, invoicing terms and supplier agreements.

The firm was also able to secure a £2,500 Sandwell Business Premises grant that proved invaluable in moving from its initial site into a 1,200sq ft factory on Spinners End Industrial Estate, Cradley Heath.


From left: David Percival, Roy Gannon, and Dave Male, of Cradley Heath-based 3D Pattern Making & Engineering

Mentor

Mr Gannon said: "We knew we had the skills and the contacts in the sector to make a real go of it, but we required external guidance on some of the fundamentals which Business Link helped with through its dedicated provider Black Country Enterprise.

"This was a great platform and gave us the impetus to win work, supplying mould patterns for local foundries, producing motorcycle casing covers and offering engineering services including plant repairs."

3D Pattern Making & Engineering is keen to use the premises to build sales and the next part of its growth will focus on taking on a new member of staff and investing in CNC machining.

Kulwant Chawal said: "It is great to see manufacturing skills being retained in the local economy in the shape of a new business and the fact it has exceeded first year expectations is a massive plus for the entrepreneurs.

"We'll continue to mentor the firm as it looks to grow and hopefully take on more staff to cope with increased orders."

Business Link West Midlands is urging budding entrepreneurs in the Black Country to follow 3D Pattern Making & Engineering's example and tap into a host of specialist support to turn ideas into commercial reality.

It is offering a full package of assistance from immediate start-up advice and information sheets to networking events and one-to-one mentoring.

The service, which has assisted more than 600 individuals to start-up over the past year, will help aspiring entrepreneurs with business planning, financial forecasting, sales and marketing, and legal issues.

A consortium of specialist providers, including Black Country Enterprise, Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, Birmingham Enterprise and Business Development Service, has advisers to assist 200 start-ups over the next three months.

Team

Lorraine Holmes, chief executive of Business Link West Midlands, said: "We have a great team of enterprise providers in place, who can help individuals overcome some of the uncertainties they face when starting a business."

To find out how more about start-up support, contact Business Link West Midlands on 0845 113 1234 or email info@businesslinkwm.co.uk.

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A story of sex, rock 'n' roll and lousy decision making

KILLING BONO (PG)

BASED on Neil McCormick's autobiography this tale of fate, sex, drugs, rock 'n' roll and being the worst decision maker in the world is too bizarre not to be true.

This is the story of two Irish brothers Neil and Ivan McCormick, played by Ben Barnes and Robert Sheehan respectively, who miss the chance to be part of the world's biggest band.

Neil makes a decision for Ivan, unbeknown to his brother, when Bono offers to make him part of the burgeoning rock group that eventually goes on to be U2.

After making this cataclysmically stupid decision Neil, with Ivan in tow, sets out to make it in the fickle world of the music industry determined for his own part to be a success and to cover his own tracks so his brother never finds out how he determined his fate.

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The brothers and their band struggle while all the time Neil is reminded of his nemesis, Bono et al, growing to be a global phenomenon playing stadiums all over the world, while they struggle to fill local community halls.

As they move to London and become more and more enmeshed in the seedy world of the industry, their journey is further complicated by being bankrolled by a local Dublin murderer, played by Bill Bailey lookalike Ralph Brown, who is keen to see a return on his investment.

Throw into the pot a predatory, homosexual landlord, camped up wonderfully by an obviously ailing Pete Postlethwaite; a music promoter who is here today and gone tomorrow and doesn't even like rock music, and a psychotic henchman who, although not too bright, has a penchant for using guns and you have a surreal journey that exposes the vagaries of life, the bizarre and rollercoaster world of rock 'n' roll and how sometimes fates deals a hand that slaps you right in the face.

Neil McCormick is really a small fish in a sea of sharks and his decision making is the worst since Adolf Hitler's parents decided to buy a bottle of Riesling instead of a condom and even when redemption stares him in the face he still manages to mess things up.

Ben Barnes starring in Neil McCormick's Killing Bono

Killing Bono is not a laugh out loud kind of film but it's well worth watching and does have some great one liners such as: "You can't boo me, I went to Eton." .

Killing Bono is out now.

THE PANIC IN NEEDLE PARK (18)

Kitty Winn and Al Pacino star in The Panic in Needle Park

This little known early outing for Al Pacino is a gritty, reality-style film which shows the seedy sub-culture of drugs, prostitution and crime.

The Panic was banned in the UK until recently for its graphic portrayal of drug use some of which, even 40 years on, is still uncomfortable to watch.

Pacino is Bobby a drug user, dealer and hustler who hooks up with Helen played by Kitty Winn. She is drawn into the world of Pacino's charismatic character being introduced to pimps, prostitutes, addicts, pushers and criminals like some bizarre networking exercise.

The Panic is filmed without a music soundtrack in a Ken Loach-style realism and is as seedy and uncompromising as contemporaries such as Midnight Cowboy or Serpico.

Throughout the film Pacino shows the brooding style and acting talent which went on to earn him the part in The Godfather.

This is not your usual Hollywood fare – there are no heroes or villains and no happy endings.

Surviving

This stripped-back look at how this subculture goes about surviving day to day, living hand to mouth and for the next fix, hustling anyone and everyone is just presented as a way of life.

As Helen is exposed to the darker side of Bobby's life which is constantly overshadowed by the local police determined to bust the drugs rings, she is dragged down into her own addiction and prostitution eventually selling out everything she values, even Bobby.

Be warned this is not a feel-good film but it is a stark warning of a whole strata of society which exists but most people choose to ignore until it spills over into their comfort zone.

Extras include, interviews with director Jerry Schatzberg and writer Joan Didion.

The Panic in Needle Park was due for release September 5.

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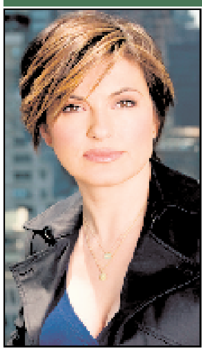

LAW & ORDER: SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT

Channel 5, 8.50pm

The Law & Order franchise is in serious decline at the moment. The original show, despite being the longest-running drama on US TV, has been axed, and out of the four spin-offs, and only one remains in production – Special Victims Unit. But we're a wee bit behind our American cousins, so we've got another two seasons to view before the show changes almost beyond recognition. In the meantime, season nine rumbles on with an episode involving the theft of 100 eggs from Hudson Cryobank, a clinic that stores frozen embryos. Crime drama, starring Mariska Hargitay

BBC1

[illegible] Breakfast. **[illegible]** Saturday Kitchen Live. **[illegible]** Football Focus. **[illegible]** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **[illegible]** Formula 1: The Italian Grand Prix – Qualifying. The battle for grid positions from Monza (Start-time 1.00pm). **[illegible]** Live Golf: Walker Cup. The opening day at the Royal Aberdeen Golf Club. **[illegible]** Final Score. **[illegible]** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **[illegible]** Epic Win.

[illegible] Strictly Come Dancing Launch Show. Red carpet event opening the pro-celebrity contest, with guest star Dolly Parton.
[illegible] Doctor Who. Amy is trapped in a quarantine facility for victims of an alien plague, and with the Time Lord incapacitated, it is up to Rory to break in and rescue her.
[illegible] The National Lottery: Secret Fortune. A mother and daughter answer questions in the high-tension quiz show hosted by Nick Knowles. OJ Borg presents the all-important draws.
[illegible] BBC News; Weather.
[illegible] Last Night of the Proms. Katie Derham presents the grand finale of this year's Proms at the Royal Albert Hall, featuring performances by pianist Lang Lang and soprano Susan Bullock; National Lottery Update.
[illegible] Match of the Day. Including highlights of Arsenal v Swansea City.

[illegible] The Football League Show; Weatherview. **[illegible]** BBC News.

BBC2

[illegible] CBeebies. **[illegible]** CBBC. **[illegible]** The Sky at Night (R) **[illegible]** The Great British Bake Off (R) **[illegible]** Escape to the Country (R) **[illegible]** EastEnders. **[illegible]** Victorian Pharmacy. **[illegible]** Live Golf: Walker Cup. Further coverage of the opening day at the Royal Aberdeen Golf Club.

[illegible] Flog It! From Stoke-on-Trent. (R)

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[illegible] Dad's Army. Comedy with Arnold Ridley (R)
[illegible] Last Night of the Proms. The final concert of this year's Proms, featuring Lang Lang performing Liszt's Piano Concerto No 1, and Susan Bullock singing an excerpt from Wagner's Gotterdammerung. Continues at 9.10pm on BBC1.
[illegible] QI XL. With Sandi Toksvig, Lee Mack and Jimmy Carr. (R)
[illegible] The Making of QI. An insight into the production of the popular comedy quiz show.
[illegible] QI. With Alan Davies and Jo Brand. (R)
[illegible] QI. With Rich Hall, David Mitchell and Jimmy Carr. (R)
[illegible] QI. The best moments from the G series. (R)

[illegible] TOTP2 Goes Disco (R) **[illegible]** Film: Exiled. (2006) Premiere. Crime thriller, starring Anthony Wong. **[illegible]** Close.

ITV1

[illegible] Live Rugby World Cup. France v Japan (Kick-off 7.00am). **[illegible]** Live Rugby World Cup. Argentina v England (Kick-off 9.30am). **[illegible]** ITV News; Weather. **[illegible]** Coronation Street. **[illegible]** Film: Johnny English. (2003) **[illegible]** Rugby World Cup Highlights. **[illegible]** Regional Programmes. **[illegible]** ITV News; Weather.

[illegible] All Star Family Fortunes.
[illegible] Red or Black? Ant and Dec host the final edition.
[illegible] The X Factor. Gary Barlow, Kelly Rowland, Tulisa Contostavlos and Louis Walsh continue their search for the next big thing in music as more singers perform at the auditions.
[illegible] Red or Black?: Results. The two remaining finalists compete for the chance to win £1 million. Last in the series.
[illegible] The Jonathan Ross Show. With Benedict Cumberbatch, Alan Carr and Red Hot Chili Peppers.

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[illegible] ITV News; Weather.
[illegible] Film: United 93. (2006) Fact-based drama, starring Christian Clemenson.

[illegible] The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **[illegible]** Heist. Crime thriller, starring Dougray Scott (R) **[illegible]** Live Rugby World Cup. Australia v Italy (Kick-off 4.30am).

Channel 4

[illegible] The Hoobs (R) **[illegible]** The Hoobs. (R) **[illegible]** FIM Superbike World Championship. (R) **[illegible]** British Formula 3 International Series. **[illegible]** The Morning Line. **[illegible]** T4: Hollyoaks Music Show. **[illegible]** T4: 90210. **[illegible]** T4: Smallville. (R) **[illegible]** T4: David Guetta's VIP Party! **[illegible]** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **[illegible]** T4: The Big Bang Theory (R) **[illegible]** T4: The Big Bang Theory (R) **[illegible]** Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show. **[illegible]** Channel 4 Racing. **[illegible]** Super Saturday. **[illegible]** Come Dine with Me. (R) **[illegible]** Come Dine with Me. (R) **[illegible]** Come Dine with Me. (R)

[illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R)
[illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R)
[illegible] Channel 4 News.
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Bin Laden: Shoot to Kill. The operation to eliminate the al-Qaeda leader. (R)

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[illegible] The Million Pound Drop Live. Quiz show, presented by Davina McCall.
[illegible] Rhod Gilbert & the Cat That Looked Like Nicholas Lyndhurst.
[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Film: Garden State. (2004) Romantic comedy, starring Zach Braff and Natalie Portman. **[illegible]** Medic: The Wrong Turn. (R) **[illegible]** Medic: Love Tube. (R) **[illegible]** 3 Minute Wonder: Youthdance 2008. (R) **[illegible]** Brothers & Sisters. (R) **[illegible]** Smallville. (R) **[illegible]** Hill Street Blues. **[illegible]** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

[illegible] Milkshake! **[illegible]** Inside Hollywood. **[illegible]** Meerkat Manor. (R) **[illegible]** The Gadget Show. (R) **[illegible]** Big Brother: Launch Show. (R) **[illegible]** Film: Calamity Jane. (1953) Western musical comedy, starring Doris Day. **[illegible]** Film: Chief Crazy Horse. (1955) Fact-based Western, starring Victor Mature. **[illegible]** Film: White Hunter Black Heart. (1990) Drama, starring Clint Eastwood.

[illegible] 5 News Weekend.
[illegible] Law & Order. Green goes undercover to investigate gun dealers. (R)
[illegible] NCIS. A routine murder investigation becomes personal for Abby when it emerges the killer is an old flame who committed the crime in the hope of luring her into a deadly trap. (R)
[illegible] Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. Crime drama, starring Christopher Meloni and Mariska Hargitay.
[illegible] Big Brother. Highlights from launch night as Brian Dowling ushered a new group of hopefuls into their home for the next however many weeks – depending how popular they prove with the public.
[illegible] CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. The daughter of an FBI agent is kidnapped. (R)
[illegible] Forensic Files. Scientific and forensic techniques. (R)

[illegible] SuperCasino. **[illegible]** The FBI Files. (R) **[illegible]** Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) **[illegible]** Hana's Helpline. (R) **[illegible]** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **[illegible]** Thomas & Friends. (R) **[illegible]** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
2.55 Film: The Lake House (2006) 4.55 The Xtra Factor 5.50 Film: Curly Sue (1991) 8.00 Superhuman: World's Smallest People 9.00 Crimefighters [illegible] 9.55 The Xtra Factor 10.45 Celebrity Juice 11.30 Film: Van Helsing (2004)

ITV3
3.35 Jane Eyre 5.55 Agatha Christie's Marple 7.55 Agatha Christie's Poirot 9.00 A Touch of Frost 11.05 Canterbury Tales

ITV4
2.35 Live Cycling: Vuelta a España. Stage 20 from Bilbao to Vitoria. 5.00 British Touring Car Championship Highlights 6.20 Police, Camera, Action! 7.00 Cycling: Vuelta a España 7.30 Rugby World Cup Highlights 8.50 UEFA Champions League Greatest Goals 9.00 Film: Ticker (2001) 10.55 Film: Crank (2006)

BBC THREE
7.00 Top Gear 8.00 Doctor Who Confidential 8.35 World's Craziest Fools 9.15 Film: Face/Off (1997) Action thriller, starring John Travolta and Nicolas Cage. 11.25 Family Guy

BBC FOUR
7.00 Life 8.00 Michael Wood's Story of England 9.00 Spiral 10.30 The Story of Variety with Michael Grade 11.30 The Sky at Night

E4
3.55 How to Look Good Naked 4.30 Film: Just My Luck (2006) 6.25 One Tree Hill 7.00 The Big Bang Theory 7.30 Perfect Couples 8.15 How I Met Your Mother 8.35 Happy Endings 9.15 Film: Mr & Mrs Smith (2005) Comedy adventure, with Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie. 11.25 The Cleveland Show

FILM4
3.10 Cheaper By the Dozen (1950) 4.55 Carry On Dick (1974) 6.50 Sahara (2005) 9.00 X-Men (2000) Sci-fi comic-book adventure, starring Hugh Jackman. 11.00 Ben Wheatley on Kill List 11.05 Rosemary's Baby (1968) Horror, starring Mia Farrow.

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Choice

BIG BROTHER
Channel 5, 10pm

In the early days regular Big Brother was nearly always more entertaining than CBB because everyday people were often far more watchable than celebs, not least because they went on more of a 'journey'. (Yes, the most ubiquitous word in reality TV land). Now, with a generation groomed for instant stardom via the Big Brother lenses, it's a different story. Whether you love or loathe it, there's no denying it can make for compelling TV as we see here with highlights of the new housemates' first full day inside. Assuming no latecomers do a 'Brian Bello' and win the show, there's a good chance the winner is in the house now. But who will win? You decide.

BBC1

[illegible] Breakfast. [illegible] Match of the Day (R) [illegible] The Andrew Marr Show. [illegible] Sunday Morning Live. [illegible] Country Tracks; Weather for the Week Ahead. [illegible] BBC News. [illegible] Formula 1: The Italian Grand Prix – Live. The 13th round of the season (Start-time 1.00pm). [illegible] Britain Remembers September 11th. [illegible] Songs of Praise. [illegible] BBC News; Regional News; Weather. [illegible] Strictly Come Dancing Launch Show (R)

[illegible] **[illegible]** Zoologist Martin Hughes-Games explores the ground-breaking work being done by breeding programmes protecting some of the most threatened animals.

[illegible] **Countryfile.** Clare Balding watches cattle being prepared for competition at the Monmouthshire Show, while Matt Baker gets tips on turning a working animal into a prize winner from a Mid Wales sheep handler.

[illegible] **Inspector George Gently.** The detective looks into the suspicious death of an old friend and informant, leading him to suspect a police cover-up. Neil Pearson, Dean Lennox Kelly and Mark Benton guest star.

[illegible] **BBC News; Regional News; Weather.**

[illegible] **Regional Programmes.**

[illegible] **[illegible]** (1994) Comedy drama, starring Hugh Grant and Tara FitzGerald; Weatherview.

[illegible] Sign Zone: Dragons' Den. (R) [illegible] Holby City. (R) [illegible] The Good Cook. (R) [illegible] BBC News.

BBC2

[illegible] CBeebies. [illegible] CBBC. [illegible] Something for the Weekend. [illegible] Live Golf: Walker Cup. The second day at the Royal Aberdeen Golf Club. [illegible] America Remembers September 11th. [illegible] Live Golf: Walker Cup. More from the second day at the Royal Aberdeen Golf Club.

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[illegible] **Digging for Britain.** Alice Roberts visits archaeological digs around the country. (R)

[illegible] **Top Gear.** Charting the decline of the British sports car industry. (R)

[illegible] **[illegible]** The use of 3D photography in reconnaissance missions during the Second World War. (R)

[illegible] **World's [illegible] Roads.** Rhod Gilbert and Greg Davies drive through Nepal.

[illegible] **Match of the Day 2.** Including highlights of Norwich City v West Bromwich Albion.

[illegible] **[illegible]** With guests Micky Flanagan, Nathan Caton and Stewart Francis. (R)

[illegible] **[illegible] 2 Days in Paris.** (2007) Romantic drama, starring Julie Delpy and Adam Goldberg.

[illegible] Film: Photographing Fairies. (1997) Drama, starring Toby Stephens. [illegible] BBC News. [illegible] The Super League Show. [illegible] Close.

ITV1

[illegible] Live Rugby World Cup: Ireland v USA (Kick-off 7.00am). [illegible] Live Rugby World Cup: South Africa v Wales (Kick-off 9.30am). [illegible] ITV News; Weather. [illegible] Funniest Ever You've Been Framed! (R) [illegible] Survival: Tales from the Wild. [illegible] The X Factor. (R) [illegible] Midsomer Murders. (R) [illegible] Rugby World Cup Highlights.

[illegible] **Regional Programmes.**

[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**

[illegible] **[illegible]** New series. Quiz show, hosted by Gethin Jones.

[illegible] **The X Factor.** Another line-up of solo singers and groups perform in front of Gary Barlow, Kelly Rowland, Tulisa Contostavlos and Louis Walsh. Dermot O'Leary presents.

[illegible] **[illegible]** Conclusion. Voluntary worker Janet's relationship with Fred West enters a new phase when she makes a series of visits to him in prison. Starring Emily Watson and Dominic West.

[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**

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[illegible] **[illegible]** (2008) Coming-of-age comedy drama, starring Gregg Sulkin.

[illegible] The Zone; ITV News Headlines. [illegible] Motorsport UK. [illegible] ITV Nightscreen. [illegible] ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

[illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] The Grid. [illegible] European Wheelchair Fencing Championships 2011. [illegible] T4: One Tree Hill. (R) [illegible] T4: Hollyoaks. [illegible] T4: Ibiza Rocks. [illegible] T4: Super Saturday. [illegible] Film: T4: Around the World in 80 Days. (2004) Comedy adventure, starring Steve Coogan and Jackie Chan. [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] Deal or No Deal. [illegible] 4thought.tv. [illegible] Channel 4 News.

[illegible] **[illegible] Journey to the Center of the Earth.** (2008) Premiere. Fantasy adventure, with Brendan Fraser and Josh Hutcherson.

[illegible] **[illegible]** The skeletons of combatants from the Crusades.

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[illegible] **Children of 9/11.** The lives of children who lost parents in the September 11, 2001 attacks, including the son of a woman killed at the Pentagon and three sisters whose father died on Flight 93.

[illegible] **[illegible] World Trade Center.** (2006) Fact-based drama, directed by Oliver Stone, starring Nicolas Cage and Maria Bello.

[illegible] American Football Live. New York Jets v Dallas Cowboys (Kick-off 1.20am). [illegible] Volcanic Perfect Recall. (R) [illegible] Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

[illegible] Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R) [illegible] Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) [illegible] Fireman Sam. (R) [illegible] Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) [illegible] Elmo's World. (R) [illegible] Rhubarb and Custard Too. (R) [illegible] The Save-Ums! (R) [illegible] Noddy in Toyland. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. (R) [illegible] Little Princess. (R) [illegible] The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) [illegible] Mist: Sheepdog Tales. (R) [illegible] Rupert Bear. (R) [illegible] Olivia. (R) [illegible] The Mr Men Show. (R) [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R) [illegible] Animal Families. (R) [illegible] Garden ER. (R) [illegible] Mexican Food Made Simple. (R) [illegible] New Cowboy Builders. (R) [illegible] Big Brother. (R) [illegible] Film: Murder by Death. (1976) Spoof whodunit, starring Peter Sellers. [illegible] Film: Big Fish. (2003) Fantasy drama, starring Ewan McGregor and Albert Finney. [illegible] Film: Beetlejuice. (1988) Tim Burton's supernatural comedy, starring Michael Keaton.

[illegible] **[illegible] Cricket.** England v India.

[illegible] **[illegible]**

[illegible] **[illegible] Vantage Point.** (2008) Premiere. Thriller, with Dennis Quaid and Matthew Fox.

[illegible] **Big Brother.** The housemates' first full day.

[illegible] **[illegible] Once Upon a Time in Mexico.** (2003) Action thriller, starring Antonio Banderas and Johnny Depp.

[illegible] SuperCasino. [illegible] Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) [illegible] Great Scientists. (R) [illegible] Divine Designs. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. (R) [illegible] The Milkshake! Show. (R) [illegible] Thomas & Friends. (R) [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
[illegible] One Direction: The Hot Desk 5.00 The X Factor 6.00 The Xtra Factor 7.00 The Biggest Loser 8.00 My Child Won't Eat 9.00 The Xtra Factor 10.00 Film: Knocked Up (2007)

ITV3
3.05 Film: Forever Young (1992) 5.25 Agatha Christie's Poirot 6.40 The Darling Buds of May 9.00 Film: Death Becomes Her (1992) [illegible] Film: The Road to Wellville (1994)

ITV4
2.45 Live Cycling: Vuelta a Espana. The 21st and final stage. 5.00 The Sweeney 6.00 Police, Camera, Action! 6.20 Cycling: Vuelta a Espana 7.00 Cycling: Tour of Britain 8.00 Premiership Rugby Union 9.00 Rugby World Cup Highlights 10.15 Film: National Lampoon's Animal House (1978)

BBC THREE
7.00 Formula 1: The Italian Grand Prix – Highlights 8.00 The World's Strictest Parents 9.00 Young, Dumb and Living Off Mum 10.00 Family Guy 10.45 American Dad [illegible] Wilfred [illegible] Young, Dumb and Living Off Mum

BBC FOUR
7.00 A Little Later 7.10 The Real Jane Austen 8.05 Film: Becoming Jane (2006) 10.00 The Killing 11.00 Legends: Dark Day: Virgin Territory

E4
4.30 Film: Horton Hears a Who! (2008) 6.10 Beauty and the Geek 7.05 Snail Mile 8.00 Film: Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer (2007) 10.00 The Inbetweeners: Top 10 Moments 11.00 The Inbetweeners Rude Road Trip 11.25 Rhod Gilbert and the Award-Winning Mince Pie

FILM4
3.15 Day of the Evil Gun (1968) 5.05 The Man Who Knew Too Little (1997) 6.55 In Good Company (2004) Satirical comedy, starring Dennis Quaid. 9.00 Bride Wars (2008) 10.45 About Schmidt (2002)

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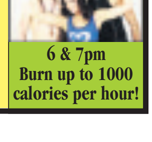

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.45 The New Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Diagnosis Murder. (R) 1.45 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) 2.15 Animal 24:7. (R) 3.00 Weakest Link. 3.45 Real Rescues. (R) 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Antiques Road Trip. 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Reel History of Britain. 7.00 Coast. (R) 8.00 University Challenge. 8.30 Antiques Master. 9.00 Dragons' Den. 10.00 Shooting Stars. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 World's Most Dangerous Roads. (R) 12.20 Torchwood: Miracle Day. (R) 1.15 BBC News. 3.35 Close.

ITV1 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 Dickinson's Real Deal. 3.00 The Alan Titchmarsh Show. 3.50 Regional Weather. 4.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 5.00 The Chase. 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Little England. 8.30 Coronation Street. 9.00 Doc Martin. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Film: The Big Tease. (1999) Comedy, starring Craig Ferguson. 12.10 Grimefighters. (R) 12.35 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 2.30 Champions League Weekly. 3.05 ITV Nightscreen. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 6.00 The Treacle People. (R) 6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 The Hoobs. (R) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 7.55 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.25 Frasier. (R) 8.55 The Secret Millionaire USA. (R) 9.55 Jo Frost: Extreme Parental Guidance. (R) 10.55 A Place by the Sea. (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary. 12.05 Three in a Bed. (R) 1.05 Film: This Happy Breed. (1944) Drama, with Robert Newton. 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Coach Trip. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 The Truth About Drugs in Football: Dispatches. 9.00 Embarrassing Bodies. 10.00 Rude Tube. 11.10 Coming Up: Hooked. 11.45 Comedy Showcase: Coma Girl. (R) 12.15 Music on 4: 4Play: Josh Osho. 12.30 Music on 4: Rockfeedback Presents: Way Out West. 12.50 WWI: Finding the Lost Battalions. (R) 2.20 Not Forgotten: Soldiers of Empire. (R) 3.15 Atlantic Convoys: The War at Sea. (R) 4.10 Smallville. (R) 4.55 Cookery School. (R) 5.50 Yo Gabba Gabba! (R)

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The New Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Diagnosis Murder. (R) 1.45 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) 2.15 Animal 24:7. (R) 3.00 Weakest Link. (R) 3.45 Real Rescues. (R) 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Antiques Road Trip. 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Reel History of Britain. 7.00 Dragons' Den. (R) 8.00 The Great British Bake Off. 9.00 Hairy Bikers' Meals on Wheels. 10.00 Never Mind the Buzzcocks. (R) 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Film: Tootsie. (1982) Cross-dressing comedy, starring Dustin Hoffman. 1.10 BBC News. 4.25 Close.

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.30 Daily Politics. 1.00 See Hear. 1.30 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) 2.15 Animal 24:7. (R) 3.00 Weakest Link. (R) 3.45 Real Rescues. (R) 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Antiques Road Trip. 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Reel History of Britain. 7.00 Escape to the Country. (R) 8.00 Natural World. (R) 9.00 Horizon. 10.00 Have I Got Old News for You. (R) 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Adopting Abroad: Sarah's Story. (R) 12.20 Damages. (R) 1.20 BBC News. 4.15 Close.

ITV1 6.00 Daybreak. 8.15 Live Rugby World Cup: Scotland v Georgia (Kick-off 8.30am). 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 Dickinson's Real Deal. 3.00 The Alan Titchmarsh Show. 3.50 Regional Weather. 4.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 5.00 The Chase. 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Live UEFA Champions League: Benfica v Manchester United (Kick-off 7.45pm). 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 UEFA Champions League: Extra Time. 11.35 Rugby World Cup Highlights. 12.35 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 2.35 Film: Columbo: Try and Catch Me. (1977) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. 3.50 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Diagnosis Murder. (R) 1.45 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) 2.15 Animal 24:7. (R) 3.00 Weakest Link. (R) 3.45 Real Rescues. (R) 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Antiques Road Trip. 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Reel History of Britain. 7.00 Live Athletics: The Memorial Van Damme. 9.00 Digging for Britain. 10.00 QI. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.05 The Secret World of Whitehall. 12.05 Film: The Draughtsman's Contract. (1982) Drama, starring Anthony Higgins. 1.45 BBC News.

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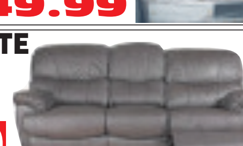

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Put in pansies and other winter and spring plants now

It's important to keep up with the garden weeding

Cool customers are ready before winter

YES, it is possible that the rest of September could be scorching, but this is the UK, so most of us will be thinking about putting the garden furniture away and covering up the barbecue for another year.

September is an ideal time for a great garden tidy-up, while it's still warm enough to work outdoors comfortably before the inevitable freezing weather sets in. If you've returned from holiday to withered summer bedding and dried-up pots, bite the bullet and empty them on the compost heap, replacing them with a spring display.

Plant bulbs, pansies, heathers and other winter and spring stalwarts to brighten up your outlook. If you're not going to use your containers for winter displays, clean them out, wipe them down and put them away.

Some gardeners tend to be more relaxed about disease control at the end of the season, but ignore them at your peril. Cut off or prune out affected parts of diseased plants and burn or dispose of them. Pest control is also important. Be aware that many biological controls become less reliable when the temperature drops as the insects will multiply more slowly. Take off shoots on plants which are infested with greenfly or blackfly and dispose of them.

It's also important to keep up with the weeding because otherwise they are likely to shed seeds, creating a hotbed of more weeds next year.

If crops have finished, clear the land

Continue to deadhead roses and cut back finished summer-flowering perennials, removing supports which propped up the plants which have stopped flowering. These can be cleaned with a mild detergent and put away until next year.

The vegetable garden should still be producing rich pickings of French and runner beans, salad crops, courgettes and sweetcorn, but if you have time, clear away spent crops to create vacant rows, dig over the ground and refill the spare space with autumn and winter crops as soon as possible.

Give the greenhouse a spring-clean, emptying it of staging, plants and rubbish and give it a good clean with hot, soapy water, which will help flush out pests and diseases and prepare the area for overwintering tender plants.

If you're putting plants back in there, try to space them out to allow good airflow around them which will help stop the build-up of diseases such as soft rot and mildew.

Garden furniture can also be cleaned at this time of year on fine days, to save you a job next spring. Teak furniture should be washed with a mild mixture of soap and water and it is best if you use a soft utility brush to remove surface dirt. Rinse the furniture thoroughly after cleaning and allow it to dry completely before putting it away for the winter.

September is also a good time to prune cane fruits such as loganberries and tayberries, cutting off the fruited canes to about 6in (15cm) from the ground.

Of course, once you've done all this, the sun may come out and you may have to unpack a deck chair or two if the summer turns out to be an Indian one – but you'll be streets ahead when spring arrives.

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"It's a unique development that has a real community feel and we have a terrific team there."

Visitors to the sales office will be greeted by The Lyng's helpful Sales Advisers Lucy Turner and Helen Coates, who are on hand to guide purchasers through their move.

Lucy, 28 and from Sutton Coldfield, has been working for Barratt West Midlands for six years. She said: "Things are going really well at The Lyng – the development looks amazing and we have three beautiful show homes open. The homes here are really taking shape now and we're getting pots of very positive feedback from local residents.

"I've been with Barratt for six years and I find it really rewarding to help people move from the first time they visit us right through to when we hand them their keys."

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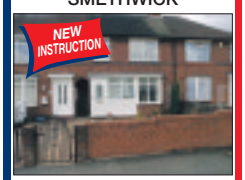

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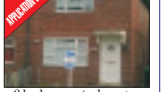

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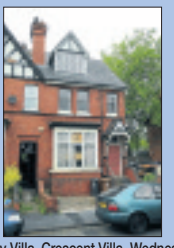
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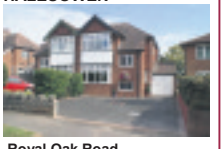
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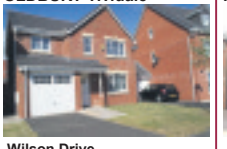
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SHOW HOME STARS ON GADGET SHOW

If you want to get a glimpse of one of the homes on offer at Bloor Homes' Satchwell Grange development in Wednesbury, take a look at Channel 5's *The Gadget Show.* The Radley Showhome' is used as the setting and is featured in every show this series.

It will be only a glimpse though as various celebrities dash through the show home, naming some of the latest in high-tech gadgets as they go.

Sales adviser Pat Worrall says: "It's been very exciting – and very hectic. We were chosen for filming for the section of the show that features the viewer competition. The show is all about the latest in consumer gadgetry so the production team was looking for a really stylish, modern home to film their competition in. Celebrities dash through the home and its garden, shouting out the names of as many gadgets as possible on the way and viewers have to name as many of them as they can. It's a real whirlwind tour!"

If you would like to take a more leisurely view of the Radley show home that caught the show producer's eye, go along to Satchwell Grange which is situated on Woden Road West. It is a superb five-bedroom family home with a large dual-aspect living room, a kitchen/breakfast room and dining room. A three storey home, there are three bedrooms, one of which would make an excellent study, on the first floor. One of these bedrooms has an en-suite shower room and and there is also a family bathroom on this floor. On the top floor there are two more double bedrooms and a second shower room.

The style of décor chosen for the Radley is certainly just right for a show that features the latest in consumer gadgetry and shows off just what a beautiful home this is. It is just one of a range of luxury two, three, four and five bedroom homes on offer at Satchwell Grange in prices ranging from £129,950 to £299,950.

As well as plenty of choice at Satchwell Grange, there is a wide range of incentives to help you buy the home of your dreams. The Government-backed HomeBuy Direct (HBD) shared equity scheme is available on selected plots, which is a great opportunity for first-time buyers to move onto the property ladder at an affordable price. If you are interested in this scheme, full details of how it works are available from the Satchwell Grange sales office.

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The sales office at Satchwell Grange is open Wednesday to Monday from 10.00am to 5.00pm. For more information please call us on 0121 505 1812 or visit www.bloorhomes.com.

The Gadget Show is on Channel 5 at 8.00pm on Friday evenings.

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Lot 11:	Former Children's Home, Highters Close, Maypole, Birmingham	**Commercial Vacant**
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Lot 31:	Hayes Court, 174 & 174A & 176 & 176A Hednesford Road, Cannock	**Commercial Investment**
Lot 32:	Former Police Station, Birmingham Road, Wolverhampton	**Commercial Vacant**
Lot 33:	Rushwood, Bickenhill Lane, Marston Green, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 34:	69 Market Street, Hednesford	**Commercial Investment**
Lot 35:	10 Union Street, Cannock	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 36:	Land at 10A Union Street, Cannock	**Development/Redevelopment**
Lot 37:	33 Hernefield Road, Shard End, Birmingham	**Residential Investment**
Lot 38:	1 Oak Avenue, Runcorn Road, Balsall Heath, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 39:	Moon Under the Water, Huntington Terrace Road, Cannock	**Commercial Vacant**
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Lot 42:	32 Exeter Road, Selly Oak, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 43:	124 Davey Road, Perry Barr, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 44:	27 Poplar Court, Bridgtown, Cannock	**Commercial Investment**
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Lot 46:	Land to East of A449, Hartlebury, Worcs	**Land**
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Lot 49:	48 Tame Road, Witton, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
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Lot 65:	Land at Church Street, Kidderminster	**Development/Redevelopment**
Lot 66:	16 Blandford Road, Quinton, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
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Lot 75:	Apartment 5 St Georges Court, 30 Islington Row, Edgbaston, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 76:	Plot 18 Whitacre Road Industrial Estate, Nuneaton, Warks	**Commercial Vacant**
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Lot 82:	29 Hunters Road, Birmingham	**Commercial Vacant**
Lot 83:	6-7 Wolverhampton Street, Dudley	**Commercial Vacant**
Lot 84:	25 Melton Road, Lillington, Leamington Spa	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 85:	136 & 136A Yardley Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham	**Commercial Vacant**
Lot 86:	12 Yems Croft, Lichfield Road, Walsall	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 87:	82 Palace Road, Bordesley Green, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 88:	13 Maidstone Road, Perry Barr, Birmingham	**Residential Investment**
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Lot 90:	Land at 42 Town Street, Sandiacre, Nottingham	**Land**
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Lot 106:	Regent House, 50 Frederick Street, Hockley, Birmingham	**Commercial Vacant**
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Lot 109:	937 Alum Rock Road, Ward End, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 110:	9 Preston Road, Winson Green, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 111:	Coronation Road, Pelsall, Walsall	**Commercial Vacant/Development**
Lot 112:	7 Langley Road, Small Heath, Birmingham	**Commercial Vacant**
Lot 113:	236 Lichfield Road, New Invention, Wolverhampton	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 114:	76 Church Road, Aston, Birmingham	**Commercial Investment**
Lot 115:	320 Deans Road, Wolverhampton	**Residential Vacant**
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Lot 120:	117A Edward Street, Cannock	**Residential Investment**
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Lot 132:	6 Dibdale Road, Dudley	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 133:	17 Hughes Road, Bilston	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 134:	43 Hargreaves Street, Wolverhampton	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 135:	151 Edenbridge Road, Hall Green, Birmingham	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 136:	1 Trinity Street, Brierley Hill	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 137:	Flat 2 The Hawthorns, Comberton Road, Kidderminster	**Residential Vacant**
Lot 138:	167 Ivyhouse Lane, Coseley	**Residential Vacant**
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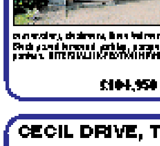

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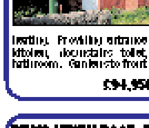
FOUNTAIN LANE, OLDBURY



Traditional semi-detached house in need of general improvement and decoration. Having the benefit of replacement double glazing and part central heating. Providing entrance hall, lounge, dining kitchen, downstairs toilet, three bedrooms, bathroom. Gardens to front and rear.

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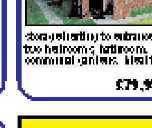

Modern first floor apartment, situated within a popular and convenient part of Tividale. Within walking distance of Oldbury town centre. Double glazing and night storage heating to entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom. Allocated parking and communal gardens. Ideal first time purchase.

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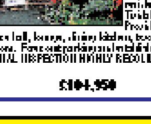

Well presented traditional semi-detached property with gas central heating and replacement double glazing. Situated within a popular residential part of Tividale. Providing entrance hall, lounge, dining kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom. Fore court parking and established rear garden. INTERNAL INSPECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

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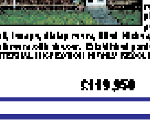
NEW HENRY STREET, OLDBURY



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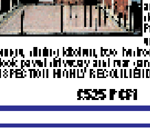

Attractive, delightfully presented traditional style two bedroomed semi-detached house with gas central heating and replacement double glazing. Providing entrance hall, lounge, dining kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom. Block paved driveway and rear garden. INTERNAL INSPECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

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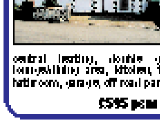

Well presented traditional style semi, easy access to local schools, local amenities, on Smethwick High Street, major motorway networks, to include: gas central heating, double glazing, through lounge/dining area, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, off road parking.

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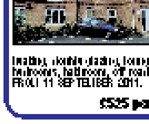

Well presented modern style first floor apartment, pleasant residential development, easy access to local amenities, M5/M6 motorway networks, offering: storage heating, double glazing, lounge, fitted kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, off road parking. AVAILABLE FROM 11 SEPTEMBER 2011.

£525 pcm

DINGLE STREET, OLDBURY

Modern semi-detached house with gas central heating and replacement double glazing. Conveniently situated for Oldbury town centre. Providing entrance hall, fitted kitchen, lounge, two bedrooms, new bathroom suite. Completely redecorated throughout. Available October 2011.

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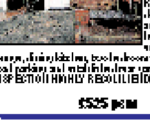

Traditional semi-detached house being superbly presented throughout. Modernised to a high specification. Replacement double glazing and gas central heating to entrance hall, lounge, dining kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom. Off road parking and established rear garden. INTERNAL INSPECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

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BOWLING GREEN DRIVE, SMETHWICK

Enjoying an extremely pleasant location in a recently established residential close, this modern detached freehold residence offers immaculate, gas centrally heated, double glazed and fully alarmed accommodation to include master bedroom with en-suite shower room, two additional bedrooms, family bathroom with individual shower compartment, hall, downstairs cloakroom, spacious lounge, impressive open plan kitchen/dining room, neatly laid out garden to the rear, having the benefit of off-street parking and garaging to the rear, within easy reach of Bearwood shopping centre and Warley woods, with the benefit of easy access to Birmingham city centre and surrounding areas, and with internal inspection to be appreciated.

Offers based on £194,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

DALE STREET, BEARWOOD

Being located in an established residential neighbourhood with comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand, a traditional style freehold villa offering gas centrally heated accommodation to include two double bedrooms, refitted bathroom, two living rooms, kitchen, basement storage and easily maintained gardens, within easy reach of Bearwood High Street, having easy access to Birmingham city centre and being ideal for first time purchasers.

Offers based on £107,500

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LIGHTWOODS HILL, WARLEY WOODS

Superbly presented, most sympathetically improved and delightfully situated freehold traditional style three storey semi-detached residence. Gas centrally heated, double glazed and fully alarmed. Offering five double bedrooms, tiled bathroom with shower, hall, lounge, separate sitting room, well fitted dining/kitchen, laundry, morning room, downstairs shower room and W.C., mature and secluded south-facing garden with extensive terracing, off-street parking for at least two cars, being just a few hundred yards from both Bearwood shopping centre, the Hagley Road West and Warley Woods, thus having easy access to Birmingham city centre and requiring full internal inspection to be appreciated.

Offers based on £335,000

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CASTLE ROAD WEST, OLDBURY

Recently improved to a most impressive standard and occupying an exceptionally convenient location just off the main Wolverhampton Road, a traditional style freehold semi-detached residence offering immaculate, gas centrally heated and double glazed accommodation to include three bedrooms, refitted bathroom with shower, hall, excellent through lounge/dining room, refitted kitchen and pleasant established gardens, having been rewired, redecorated and skirmred, together with new floor coverings throughout, being close to a comprehensive range of day-to-day amenities with the added benefit of easy access to Birmingham city centre.

Offers based on £139,750

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HARBORNE ROAD, BEARWOOD

Delightfully situated on high ground in this sought after neighbourhood and commanding truly impressive views over the surrounding areas, to both front and rear, a substantial traditional freehold semi detached residence offering excellent family accommodation with a host of original features and to include four double bedrooms, spacious well appointed bathroom with individual shower, reception hall, lounge, separate dining room, large dining/kitchen and established gardens, incorporating gas central heating, some double glazing and burglar aarm system, direct! facing Warley Woods and being within easy reach of comprehensive day to day facilities to include easy access to Birmingham city centre.

Offers based on £325,000

Viewing: Bearwood Office

REDUCED

HERBERT ROAD, BEARWOOD

Located in this pleasant and extremely popular residential thoroughfare within easy reach of Lightwoods Park and Warley Woods, a traditional style mid-terraced villa offering gas centrally heated and mostly PVC double glazed accommodation to include three bedrooms, spacious and recently refitted bathroom with individual shower compartment, vestibule and hall with original Minton tiled flooring, lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility, downstairs cloakroom and neatly laid out garden to the rear, having comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand to include easy access to Birmingham City Centre with internal inspection to be appreciated.

Offers based on £199,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

LINCOLN ROAD, SMETHWICK

INCREDIBLE VALUE - a real opportunity to obtain a most pleasantly situated freehold gas centrally heated and double glazed semi-detached residence at a bargain price, with accommodation to include:

- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Neat gardens
- Off street parking for two cars

Offers over £100,000 - **repeat - OFFERS OVER £100,000 for quick sale**

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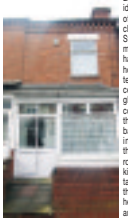
69 RAWLINGS ROAD, BEARWOOD



Located in a popular residential thoroughfare just off Bearwood Road, close to the main High Street and just three miles or so from Birmingham city centre, a freehold traditional style terraced villa offering gas centrally heated, double glazed and alarmed accommodation to include three bedrooms, fully tiled bathroom with shower, inter-communicating through lounge/dining room, fully tiled fitted kitchen and easily maintained gardens, having the benefit of comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand.

Offers Over £110,000

Viewing: Bearwood Office

REDUCED

174 PARK ROAD, BEARWOOD

An immaculate, much improved and spaciously planned traditional style freehold villa residence which has the potential to be converted into three bedrooms, offering gas centrally heated and double glazed accommodation, to include: hall, dining room, spacious lounge, good size well fitted kitchen, laundry/utility, two excellent double bedrooms, attractive refitted bathroom with shower, boarded loft and spacious neatly laid out garden to the rear, located in an extremely popular residential neighbourhood with comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand to include easy access to Birmingham city centre and requiring full internal inspection to be appreciated.

Reduced to £159,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

106 SALISBURY ROAD, SMETHWICK

A traditional three storey terraced villa located in a popular neighbourhood just off Cape Hill in Smethwick, offering gas central heating (where specified) and PVC glazing to include three bedrooms, lounge, bathroom and kitchen/breakfast room, together with garden to the rear, having comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand and requiring some minor further improvement.

Offers based on £104,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

REDUCED

ABBEY ROAD, BEARWOOD

A deceptively spacious and most pleasantly situated traditional style freehold villa residence standing on high ground and being within easy reach of Warley Woods in this popular and established neighbourhood, offering family accommodation which is gas centrally heated and PVC double glazed virtually throughout to include two double bedrooms, spacious bathroom with electric shower, impressive through hallway with original minton tiled floor, two reception rooms, kitchen, small utility, downstairs cloakroom, study, garden and having the benefit of a rear detached garage, being within easy reach of comprehensive day-to-day amenities to include easy access to Birmingham city centre.

Offers based on £130,000

Viewing: Bearwood Office

NEW

17 RATHBONE ROAD, BEARWOOD

A deceptively spacious traditional style freehold terraced property offering gas centrally heated and PVC double glazed accommodation to include three bedrooms, fully tiled bathroom, vestibule with original Minton tiled floor, impressive hallway, two reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room and neatly laid out gardens to the rear, enjoying an exceptionally convenient location in this established neighbourhood within easy reach of Warley Woods, having the benefit of comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand and giving easy access to Birmingham city centre.

Offers based on £154,995

Viewing: Bearwood Office

66 WHEATLEY ROAD, BEARWOOD

A traditional style freehold semi-detached residence enjoying a most attractive sylvan outlook over an established grass reservation and offering mostly centrally heated and double glazed accommodation which is spaciously planned to include three bedrooms, all with built in wardrobes, fully tiled bathroom with shower, 22ft open plan through lounge/dining room, fitted downstairs cloakroom, good size fitted kitchen, off street parking and extremely pleasant mature and laid out gardens, within easy reach of the main Wolverhampton Road and Warley Woods and having the benefit of good day-to-day amenities close at hand.

Offers based on £146,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

148 WIGGIN STREET, BEARWOOD

A traditional style corner house offering gas centrally heated, PVC double glazed and alarmed accommodation to include three bedrooms, two reception rooms, kitchen, downstairs bathroom and separate cloakroom, potential off street parking to front and side, having comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand and providing easy access to Birmingham city centre.

Offers based on £125,000

Viewing: Bearwood Office

104 MERRIVALE ROAD, BEARWOOD

Occupying an extremely pleasant and established residential location this traditional style freehold villa residence has recently been fully refurbished to a high standard and now offers gas centrally heated and PVC double glazed accommodation to include three bedrooms, two reception rooms, refitted kitchen, fully tiled and refitted bathroom and garden to the rear, having comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand and with internal inspection to be appreciated.

Offers based on £124,950

Viewing: Bearwood Office

10 CHESHIRE ROAD, BEARWOOD

Situated in this pleasant and very popular residential neighbourhood, midway between Smethwick and Bearwood, a traditional style freehold terraced property being virtually PVC double glazed throughout with gas centrally heated accommodation to include three bedrooms, two reception rooms, vestibule with original Minton tiled flooring, hall, dining room, lounge, kitchen and fully tiled bathroom, having the benefit of comprehensive day-to-day amenities close at hand.

Offers based on £109,995

Viewing: Bearwood Office

REDUCED

4 SYCAMORE ROAD, BEARWOOD

Situated in a pleasant established neighbourhood this traditional style freehold villa residence offers gas centrally heated and PVC double glazed accommodation to include two double bedrooms, bathroom, hall, two reception rooms and kitchen, having the benefit of a garage approached via the rear and being located close to Smethwich High Street, being ideally suited for first time buyers.

Reduced to £110,000

Viewing: Bearwood Office

NEW

71 WIGORN ROAD, BEARWOOD

Surely one of the most superbly presented homes in Bearwood, a traditional and individual detached property offering charming and most beautifully and sympathetically improved family accommodation which is gas centrally heated and part double glazed to include: vestibule, through hall, delightful lounge and separate dining room with feature fireplace, superb fully refitted 17ft 9in kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further bedrooms, including a fourth 18ft 5in long with en-suite shower, house bathroom, attractive good size garden to the rear with decking and large summerhouse, off street parking for two cars and further potential for side parking and extension, enjoying a number of traditional and original features and located in a pleasant established neighbourhood within easy reach of Lightwoods Park, Bearwood shopping centre and Warley Woods and with internal inspection being absolutely essential.

Offers based on £299,500

Viewing: Bearwood Office

ASCOT CLOSE, OLDBURY

Modern 3 bed extended semi close to Wolverhampton Road with double glazing offering lounge large dining kitchen shower room gardens small garage freehold.

Offers based on £119,950

Viewing: Oldbury Office

FLAT AT REGENT HOUSE, OLDBURY

A deceptively spacious ground floor flat contained in popular locality close to wolverhampton road the centrally heated accommodation benefits from double glazing and offers hall three bedrooms lounge fitted kitchen bathroom communal gardens garage.

Offers based on £124,950

Viewing: Oldbury Office

ASTON ROAD, OLDBURY

Full internal inspection is highly recommended for this traditional style semi detached residence contained in a popular residential locality. The property has the benefit of double glazing and central heating, has been extended to rear and briefly comprises entrance hall, spacious open plan lounge/diner, fitted kitchen, two bedrooms, well appointed bathroom, gardens fore and rear, off street parking. Freehold

Offers based on £114,950

Viewing: Oldbury Office

DURHAM ROAD, ROWLEY REGIS

Forming an ideal first purchase this excellently presented semi requires full internal inspection to be appreciated. It offers good accommodation with the benefit of gas fired central heating and double glazing and comprises hall, fitted kitchen, lounge, two bedrooms, bathroom, gardens to front and side, allocated parking space.

Offers based on £94,950

Viewing: Oldbury Office

REDUCED

HIGHBURY ROAD, SMETHWICK

Contained in a popular residential locality just off Mallin Street close to Oldbury Road this deceptively spacious fully modernised end town house offers good family accommodation with the benefit of double glazing and gas central heating. Internal inspection is highly recommended and briefly comprises reception hall, two reception rooms, kitchen, conservatory, three bedrooms, first floor bathroom, excellent gardens, freehold.

Offers based on £109,995

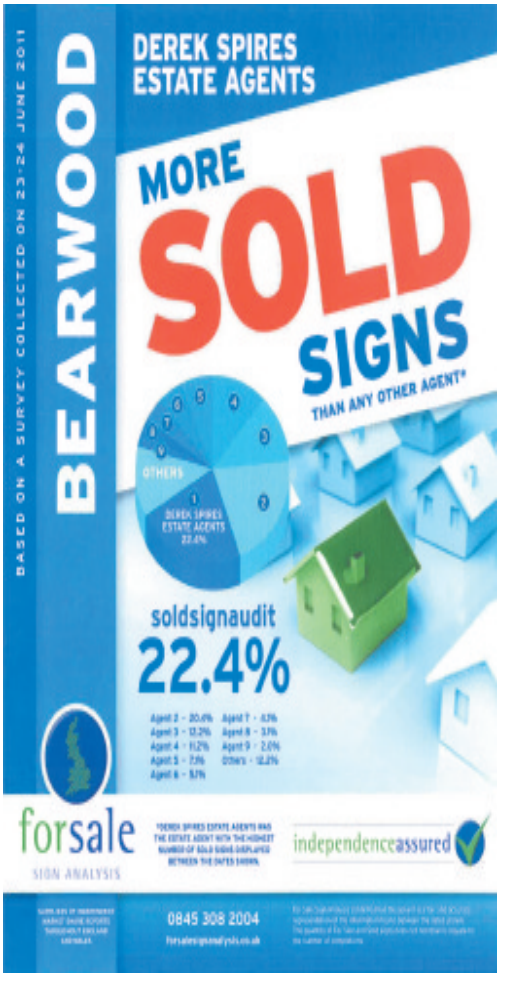
Viewing: Oldbury Office

PORTLAND DRIVE, TIVIDALE

Situated on a popular Barratt development this well presented modern detached offers good family accommodation with the benefit of double glazing and gas fired central heating. Internal inspection is highly recommended and the property sits in a good corner position, it briefly comprises storm porch, reception hall with fitted cloakroom, spacious front lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility, games room, four bedrooms (master with en suite shower room), house bathroom, good gardens, freehold.

Offers based on £210,000

Viewing: Oldbury Office



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- Recently Fitted Bathroom
- Must be Viewed

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Wheatsheaf Road, Edgbaston

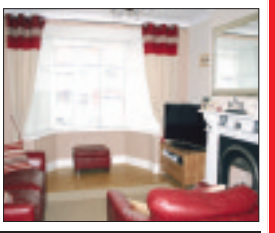
- Charming Three Bed Character Property
- Retaining Many Original Features
- In Need og General Updating
- Two Reception Rooms
- Pleasant Rear Garden
- No Chain

Offers in the region of £169,950

Lenwade Road, Oldbury

- An Extensively Refurbished Detached
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Close to Warley Woods
- Stylish Kitchen
- Ample Parking
- No Upward Chain

Offers in the region of £279,950



Devon Road, Bearwood

- An Exceptional Larger Style Terrace
- Three Bedrooms
- Close to Schools, Amenities & Parks
- Off Road Parking
- Stunning Bathroom & Kitchen
- Delightful Garden

Offers in the region of £224,950

Reginald Road, Bearwood

- An Extensively Renovated Terrace
- Contemporary Design Throughout
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Private Rear Garden
- Viewing is a MUST

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Cheshire Road, Smethwick

- A Well Presented, Larger Style Terrace
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- No Upward Chain
- Internal Viewing Recommended

Offers in the region of £117,500

St Marys Road, Bearwood

- Attractive, Thoughtfully Improved Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Delightful Kitchen
- Two Reception Rooms

Offers in the region of £124,950

Galton Road, Bearwood

- A Tastefully presented Mid Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- A Spacious Bathroom
- Downstairs Shower Room
- Private, Mature Rear Garden

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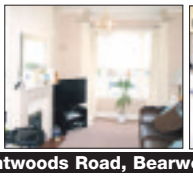

Lightwoods Road, Bearwood

- Attractive 'Tudor Style' Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Traditional Features Throughout
- Potential to Extend
- Private Rear Garden
- No Upward Chain

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Park Road, Bearwood

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- Three Bedrooms
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- Two Reception Rooms

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Drayton Road, Bearwood

- A Very Well Presented Mid Terrace Property
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- Beautiful Bathroom
- Utility Room
- Potential for Off Road Parking
- Situated on a Peaceful Road

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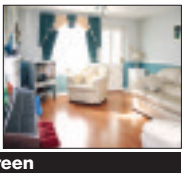

Tudor Street, Winson Green

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- Two Double Bedrooms
- Beautifully Presented
- Well Maintained Rear Garden
- Ideal FTB Purchase
- Must be Viewed

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Pargeter Road, Bearwood

- A Traditional Mid Terrace
- Three Bedrooms
- Easy to Maintain Rear Garden
- No Upward Chain

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Rosefield Road, Smethwick

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- Three Bedrooms
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- Bathroom & Shower Room
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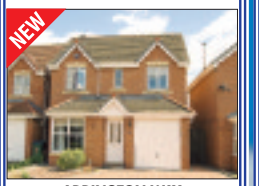

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★ Lounge with dining area and kitchen and utility room
★ Cloakroom, bathroom and en suite
★ Garage and off road parking
★ Central heating double glazing (where specified)
£214,995

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HELLIER AVENUE
★ Four bedroom detached on corner plot
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£164,995

TIPTON
HAINES CLOSE
★ Modern three bedroom detached
★ Lounge/diner, Conservatory
★ Downstairs WC, en suite to master bedroom
★ Garage and off road parking
★ Double glazing and central heating (where specified)
★ Rear garden
£163,500

TIPTON
NEWMAN ROAD
★ Two bedroom detached bungalow
★ Lounge
★ Newly refitted kitchen and bathroom
★ Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
★ Off road parking
★ Front and rear gardens
£147,500

TIPTON
SANNDERS CRESCENT
★ Three bedroom two and a half storey semi detached
★ Lounge
★ Fitted kitchen
★ Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
★ En suite to master bedroom
★ Garage
★ Rear garden
£124,995

TIPTON
THE SQUARE
★ Three bedroom semi detached
★ Lounge/diner
★ En suite and family bathroom
★ Double glazing and central heating (where specified)
★ Garage and off road parking
★ Rear garden
£124,995

TIPTON
CHATWINS WHARF
★ Two bedroom bungalow for over 55 residents only
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★ Bathroom
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★ Extended four bedroom detached
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★ Off road parking
★ Rear garden
WAS £229,995 NOW £219,995

TIPTON
LISSIMORE DRIVE
★ Modern four bedroom detached
★ Lounge, dining room, conservatory and kitchen diner
★ Upstairs family bathroom and en suite to master bedroom
★ Central heating and double glazing (where specified)
★ Garage and off road parking
★ Landscaped rear garden
WAS £225,000 NOW £219,995

TIPTON
VICTORIA ROAD
★ Three bedroom detached
★ Through lounge
★ Kitchen and conservatory
★ Upstairs family bathroom
★ Central heating and double glazing (where specified)
★ Rear garden
WAS £175.000 NOW £165,000

TIPTON
MIDDLE MEADOW
★ Three bedroom modern detached
★ Lounge and dining room
★ Dining kitchen and conservatory
★ Two en suite shower rooms
★ Family bathroom
★ Garage and driveway
★ Front and rear gardens
WAS £169,995 NOW £164,995

TIPTON
GORDON DRIVE
★ Extended four bedroom semi detached
★ Through lounge/dining room
★ Sitting room
★ Kitchen
★ En suite to master bedroom
★ Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
★ Garage and driveway
★ Rear garden
WAS £157,995 NOW £154,995

WEST BROMWICH
ALL SAINTS WAY
★ Three bedroom semi detached
★ Lounge, dining kitchen, conservatory
★ Upstairs family bathroom
★ Central heating and double glazing (where specified)
★ Detached garage
★ Garden
WAS £141,950 NOW £136,500

TIPTON
KERR DRIVE
★ Link detached chalet-style with two/three bedrooms
★ Bedroom three/study, lounge/dining room
★ Conservatory, fitted kitchen
★ Downstairs WC
★ Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
★ Garage, driveway and rear garden
WAS £139,995 NOW £134,995

TIPTON
MYRTLE TERRACE
★ Two bedroom semi detached bungalow
★ Lounge
★ Kitchen
★ Bathroom
★ Garage/Gymnasium
★ Driveway
★ Large rear garden
WAS £114,995 NOW £104,995

OLDBURY
TIVIDALE ROAD
★ Three bedroom mid terrace
★ Lounge with archway through to dining room
★ Kitchen and utility area
★ Downstairs WC and upstairs family bathroom
★ Central heating and double glazing (where specified)
★ Off road parking to the rear
★ Rear garden
WAS £112,500 NOW £104,995

TIPTON
BURNT TREE
★ Three bedroom end terrace
★ Lounge
★ Breakfast kitchen
★ Majority double glazing
★ Block paved hard standing frontage
★ Rear garden
★ Communal parking to the rear
WAS £107,000 NOW £99,995

TIPTON
OLD PORT CLOSE
★ Two bedroom semi detached
★ Lounge/dining room
★ Fitted kitchen
★ Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
★ Garage and driveway
★ Front and rear gardens
WAS £104,995 NOW £99,995

TIVIDALE
LARCH CROFT
★ Modern extended four bedroom detached
★ Lounge
★ Dining room
★ Fitted kitchen
★ Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
★ Garage and driveway
★ Front and rear gardens
WAS £189,995 NOW £184,995

TIPTON
CUPFIELDS AVENUE
★ Two bedroom end terrace
★ Lounge and kitchen
★ Laundry room and downstairs WC
★ Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
★ Off road parking
★ Front and rear gardens
WAS £87,500 NOW £84,995

TIPTON
PARK LANE WEST
★ Two bedroom mid terrace
★ Lounge
★ Breakfast kitchen
★ First floor bathroom
★ Double glazing and gas fired central heating (where specified)
★ Rear garden
WAS £86,500 NOW £80,995

OLDBURY
QUAYSIDE CLOSE
★ First floor modern two bedroom flat
★ Lounge/kitchen area
★ Bathroom
★ Double glazing and electric storage heating (where specified)
★ Allocated parking
★ Communal ground
WAS £67,500 NOW £62,500

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WEST BROMWICH
HILL TOP
★ This large detached property offers three double bedrooms
★ 3 reception rooms
★ Condensing central heating and double glazing
★ Substantial grounds, and workshop/garage.
£230,000

WEDNESBURY
HOBS ROAD
★ A unique opportunity to acquire a fully refurbished and immaculately presented four bedroom detached bungalow
★ In a prime location for motorway access and schools
★ An exceptional property
★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
Offers over £219,500

WEST BROMWICH
WHITWORTH DRIVE
★ Three bedroom link detached house in a sought after cul de sac
★ Providing an excellent family home
★ Immaculately presented internally and benefiting from a landscaped garden which is not overlooked.
£169,950

WEDNESBURY
HILL STREET
★ A detached property in a popular location
★ Offering three double bedrooms
★ Condensing heating and double glazing
£159,950

WEDNESBURY
ELWELL STREET
★ Recently built detached property
★ Three bedrooms, master with en-suite
★ Two reception rooms, kitchen with fitted appliances, guest w/c and family bathroom
★ Foregarden and single garage, beautiful low maintenance rear garden
£149,950

Wednesbury
Old College Drive
★ A quality Bellway home on a popular development in a canal-side setting
★ Having three bedrooms plus a study
★ Remainder of the builders NHBC guarantee.
Offers over £140,000

WEST BROMWICH
HAMPTON COURT
★ A two bedroom detached bungalow
★ Double glazing and central heating
★ Parking and Garage
★ Vacant possession
£139,950

WEDNESBURY
MYVOD ROAD
★ A very well presented three bedroom semi on a popular road
★ Close to the motorway and local schools
★ Internal viewing highly recommended
£130,000

Wednesbury
Richard Wattis Drive
★ A superior three bedroom town house.Master bedroom with dresser and En suite
★ Double glazed and centrally heated
★ Cul de sac location, well presented throughout
£125,000 OFFERS OVER

WEDNESBURY
GOLDICROFT ROAD
★ Spacious detached bungalow
★ Two double bedrooms
★ Central Heating
★ Kitchen
★ Double glazing
£119,950

WEST BROMWICH
17 LEACROFT GROVE
★ Enjoying a private aspect to the rear garden and boasting generous bedrooms
★ This property is offered for sale with no upward chain and is considered ideal for the family buyer
★ REDUCED FOR A QUICK SALE - MUST BE VIEWED
£117,000

WEDNESBURY
ADDISON ROAD
★ Quietly situated yet in a convenient location
★ Internal viewing is recommended to appreciate the size of the accommodation offered by this three bedroom semi, which is offered for sale with immediate vacant possession.
£104,950

WEDNESBURY
OLDBURY STREET
★ Traditional-style three bedroom bay fronted semi in a popular road
★ Two Reception rooms, double glazing, large garden
★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
£104,950

WEST BROMWICH
TAME STREET
★ Situated in the Hill Top area of West Bromwich, this end town house
★ Briefly comprises of three bedrooms, lounge, kitchen, first floor bathroom, garage, rear garden and parking.
£104,950

WEDNESBURY
BROMFIELD CRESCENT
★ Spacious semi-detached house
★ Thre good size bedrooms
★ Majority double glazing
★ Central heating
★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
£99,950

WEDNESBURY
ALDER ROAD
★ A completely refurbished one bedroom semi detached bungalow in a popular cul de sac
★ Immaculately presented throughout - internal viewing essential
£99,950

WEST BROMWICH
BLACK LAKE
★Refurbished town house with three good size bedrooms
★ Refitted kitchen and bathroom, central heating & double glazing.
★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
£99,950

WEDNESBURY
CRANKHALL LANE
★ A mid terraced property
★ Two bedrooms
★ Central heating
★ Double glazing
£94,995

Wednesbury
Park Hill
★ A traditional-style two bedroom semi detached house
★ Conveniently situated for popular local schools
★ Double glazed and centrally heated
★ Would benefit from further care and attention
£84,950

WEST BROMWICH
ST PAULS CRESCENT
★ Situated in a small cul de sac in the Hill Top area of West Bromwich
★ This three bedroom semi is offered for sale with no upward chain
★ The property has double glazing, a new central heating system and off road parking - an ideal first time or investment buy
£89,950

WALSALL
HOUGH ROAD
★ This traditional style two bedroom semi detached offers no upward chain and is double glazed and centrally heated
★ Quietly set back from the road
★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
£89,950

WEST BROMWICH
GRIFFITHS ROAD
★ Three bedroom semi detached property in a popular road between Wednesbury & Stone Cross
★ Double glazed and centrally heated
★ Scope for further improvement
£89,950

DARLASTON
MILL STREET
★ A nicely presented three bedroom traditional terraced house close to the amenities of Darlaston
★ Available with NO UPWARD CHAIN
£84,950

WEDNESBURY
PROVIDENCE TERRACE
★ A mid terraced property
★ Three bedrooms
★ Two reception rooms
★ In need of modernisation
£84,950

WEDNESBURY
DEVON ROAD
★ Two Bedroom semi detached on the popular Woods Estate. Double Glazing & condensing Central Heating
★ In need of further up-dating
★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
£82,950

WEDNESBURY
CRANKHALL LANE
★ A two bedroom ground floor flat
★ Double glazing
★ Condensing heating
★ Vacant possession
£69,950

MOXLEY
CURTIN DRIVE
★ Situated in the Moxley area of Wednesbury, convenient for the Black Country Route
★ This end terrace property offers great value for money
★ Having double glazing and no chain, viewing via the agent is recommended of the accommodation which briefly comprises of : Reception Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Dining Room, Covered side entrance, three Bedrooms, refitted Bathroom, private enclosed rear garden and off road parking to the fore.
£69,950

WEDNESBURY
ADDISON STREET
★ One bedroom ground floor flat within walking distance of Wednesbury town centre
★ Central heating, double glazing
★ No upward chain
£64,950

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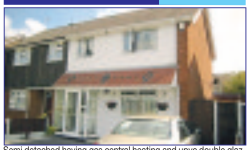
Chaucer Avenue, Tipton — NEW

Semi detached having gas central heating and upvc double glazing. Spacious family accommodation briefly comprises, porch, reception hall, through lounge / dining room, conservatory, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway and paved rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £99,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Arthur Road, Tipton — NEW

Extended Middle Terrace having upvc double glazing, gas central heating, extension to rear at ground and first floor, spacious well presented internal accommodation & briefly comprising, reception hall, lounge, conservatory, sitting room, fitted breakfast kitchen, downstairs shower room, 4 bedrooms (All have fitted wardrobes), bathroom, enclosed crete print driveway for numourous vehicles & attractive rear garden. NO UPWARD CHAIN
OFFERS AROUND: £117,500
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Newman Road, Tipton — NEW

Semi Detached Bungalow having gas central heating and double glazing. Sought after location, well presented accommodation, whilst briefly comprising, reception hall, lounge, rear veranda, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, block paved driveway offering secure parking to side, timber garage and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £132,500
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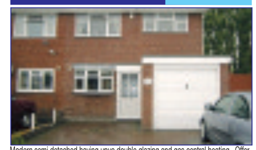
Charlotte Road, Wednesbury — NEW

Modern semi detached having upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Offering superbly presented spacious family accommodation which briefly comprises, porch, reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge / dining room, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, block paved driveway, garage and attractive good size rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £142,500
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Davis Avenue, Tipton — NEW

Traditional Extended Semi Detached offering gas central heating, double glazing, extension to rear and no upward chain. Porch, reception hall, through lounge / sitting room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, shower room, driveway to front and excellent size rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £74,995
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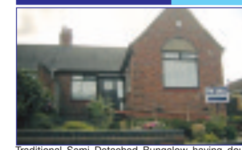
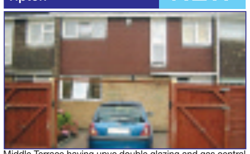
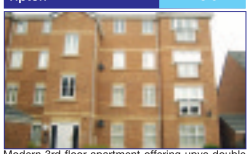
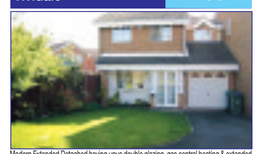
Ocker Hill Road, Tipton — NEW

Traditional Semi Detached Bungalow having double glazing and electric storage heating. Porch, reception hall, through lounge, kitchen, guest cloakroom, veranda, 3 bedrooms, shower room, driveway, fore / rear gardens.
OFFERS AROUND: £121,000
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

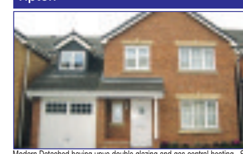
Eastfield Road, Tipton — NEW

Middle Terrace having upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Spacious family accommodation briefly comprises, reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, secure parking and garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £94,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Harper Grove, Tipton — REDUCED

Modern 3rd floor apartment offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating, security entrance doors and no upward chain. Reception hall, lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, allocated parking.
OFFERS AROUND: £62,500
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Leslie Drive, Tipton — NEW

Extended Semi Detached having double glazing, gas central heating & extension to rear. Situated on a sought after development whilst briefly comprising, porch, reception hall, through lounge, dining area, extended fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway to front, garage and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £134,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Larch Croft, Tividale — REDUCED

Modern Extended Detached having upvc double glazing, gas central heating & extended to ground / first floor. Situated in a cul de sac location, the family accommodation briefly comprises, porch, reception hall, lounge, dining room, fitted breakfast kitchen, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, side garage with guest cloakroom, fore and rear gardens..
OFFERS AROUND: £184,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

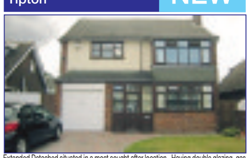
Scott Street, Tipton

Modern Detached having upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Spacious family accommodation briefly comprises, reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted breakfast kitchen, utility room, 5 bedrooms, 2 en suite shower rooms, family bathroom, driveway, garage & good size rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £249,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Charter Road, Rochford Gardens, Tipton — REDUCED

Modern Executive style Detached situated on a corner plot in a sought after location. Offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating & being the largest design on the development whilst briefly comprising, porch, reception hall, lounge, dining room, large conservatory, fitted kitchen, bakery room, utility room, guest cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, en suite shower room, family bathroom, block paved driveway, garage, fore / rear garden with store room.
OFFERS AROUND: £229,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Grainger Close, Tipton — NEW

Middle Terrace having upvc double glazing, gas central heating and offering no upward chain. Reception hall, lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, separate driveway, rear garden
OFFERS AROUND: £79,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Elizabeth Walk, Tipton — NEW

Extended Detached situated in a most sought after location. Having double glazing, gas central heating, extension to rear & superb internal accommodation which briefly comprises, porch, reception hall, lounge, sitting room, fitted kitchen (built in appliances), 3 bedrooms, bathroom, 2 car block paved driveway, garage & attractive rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £199,950
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Ivy Road, Tipton — REDUCED

End terrace offering upvc double glazing, gas central heating and no upward chain. Reception hall, lounge, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway to front and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £62,500
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Bramah Way, Bridgemere, Tipton — REDUCED

Modern Semi Detached having upvc double glazing and gas central heating.•br>Situated on a sought after development the accommodation briefly comprises, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen with built in oven/hob, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, garage & rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £104,995
Viewing: 0121 522 3733

Great Bridge Road, Bilston — REDUCED

Deceptively spacious & well presented Modern middle terrace which benefits from UPVc double Glazing & Gas Central Heating and briefly comprises: Porch, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Conservatory, 2 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Front & Rear Gardens + Parking Space, No Upward Chain.
OFFERS AROUND: £92,000
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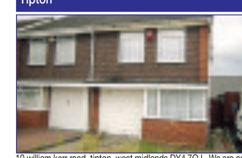
William Kerr Road, Tipton, Tipton

10 william kerr road, tipton, west midlands DY4 7QJ. We are acting in the sale of the above property and have recieved an offer of £91,500. Any interested parties must submit any higher offers in writing to the selling agent before exchange of contracts takes place.
OFFERS AROUND: £94,950
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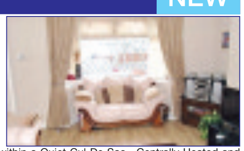
Keys Crescent, West Bromwich — NEW


A Three Bedroom Semi Detached House Situated within a Quiet Cul De Sac. Centrally Heated and Double Glazed. Accommodation Comprises- Porch, Lounge, Kitchen/ Diner, Conservatory, 3 Good Size Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Large Rear Garden and Driveway Off Road Parking.
Viewing
OFFERS AROUND: £124,950

Beverley Road, West Bromwich — REDUCED

A rare opportunity to purchase this impressive extended detached house offering excellent potential for further extension (subject to planning permission). Having excellent position for local amenities, this property also benefits from Central Heating, Double Glazing, Intruder Alarm and No Upward Chain. Accommodation Comprises- Porch, Large Entrance Hall, Study, Lounge, Extended Dining Room, Small Conservatory, Kitchen, Side Lobby, 3 Excellent Size Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Large Gardens to Front & Rear with Garden Store & WC and Driveway Off Road Parking Leading to Garage with Utility Area At Rear.
Viewing 0121 525 2111
£179,950

Ruskin Street, West Bromwich, West Midlands — REDUCED

A Mid Terraced House Requiring Upgrade and Refurbishment But Priced Accordingly. No Upward Chain. Centrally Heated and Part Double Glazed. Accommodation Comprises- Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/ Diner, Utility/ Store Room, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom & Separate WC, Gardens to Front & Rear.
OFFERS AROUND: £89,950
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Greswold Street, West Bromwich, West Bromwich — NEW

A Semi Detahced House with pleasant aspect to front. Benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing and Intruder Alarm. Accommodation Comprises- Porch, Hall, Dining Room with open archway to Lounge, Kitchen, Conservatory, 3 Good Size Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Front Garden, Large Rear Garden having Gated Parking Area with Secure Vehicle Access.
Viewing: 0121 525 2111 £129,950

Church Vale Mews, Parsonage Street, West Bromwich — NEW

A Delightful, Modern, 2 Bedroom First Floor Flat. Centrally Heated and Double Glazed. No Upward Chain. Accommodation Comprises- Entrance with Staircase to First Floor, Lounge, Kitchen, Bathroom/ WC, 2 Good Size Bedrooms, Allocated Parking Space with Visitors Parking Available. The flat also benefits from its own garden located at the front of the building.
Viewing: 0121 525 2111 £89,950

Edwin Phillips Drive, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

An Impressive Modern Detached House located within a quiet cul de sac location. Centrally Heated, Double Glazed and Intruder Alarmed. Accommodation Comprises- Hall with Guest Cloaks/ WC, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen/ Diner, Conservatory, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Gardens to Front & Rear and Driveway Off Road Parking Leading to Detached Garage.
OFFERS AROUND: £154,950
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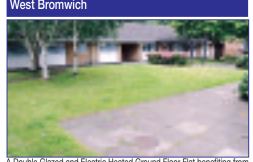
Lily Street, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

A Double Glazed and Electric Heated Ground Floor Flat benefiting from No Upward Chain Conveniently situated for local amenities and Town Centre. Accommodation Comprises- Hall, Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, 2 Bedrooms, Shower Room/ WC and Communal Gardens and Parking Area.
OFFERS AROUND: £59,950
Viewing: 0121 525 2111

Greswold Street, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

A Traditional Semi Detached House with easy access to Town Centre. Excellent aspect to front overlooking playing fields. Good position for local amenities and transport links. Centrally Heated and Double Glazed. Accommodation Comprises- Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility with WC, Conservatory, 3 Good Size Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Large Rear Garden, Block paved forecourt to front and Garage to rear with Secure Vehicle Access.
Viewing: 0121 525 2111 £129,950

Hallam Court, Hallam Street, West Bromwich

A Spacious 2 Bedroom Flat situated on the Second Floor. Double Glazed and Electric Storage Heating. Excellent Location for Sandwell Hospital, Dartmouth Park and Town Centre. Accommodation Comprises- Hall with Large Storage Cupboard, Lounge/ Diner, Kitchen, 2 Good Size Bedrooms, Refitted Bathroom/ WC, Shared Car Parking Area and Garage.
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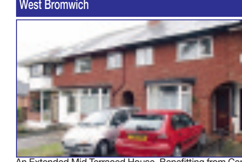
Walsall Road, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

An Extended Mid Terraced House. Benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing and No Upward Chain. Accomodation Comprises, Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Gardens to Front & Rear.
OFFERS AROUND: £109,950
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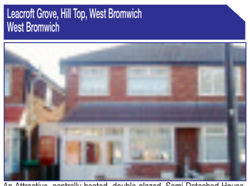
Leacroft Grove, Hill Top, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

An Attractive, centrally heated, double glazed, Semi Detached House. Storm Porch, Lounge, Recently refitted Kitchen/Diner, Conservatory, Covered Side Passageway, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom/WC, Off road parking for small car and Garage for small car nearby. Viewing 0121 525 2111.
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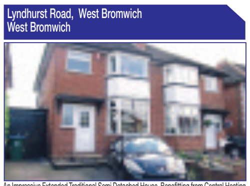
Lyndhurst Road, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

An Impressive Extended Traditional Semi Detached House. Benefitting from Central Heating and Double Glazed. Accommodation Comprises Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Extended Fitted Kitchen, 3 Good Size Bedrooms, Refitted Bathroom/ WC, Good size split level rear garden with rear vehicle access, Driveway Parking to Front leading to Garage/ Utility.
OFFERS AROUND: £149,950
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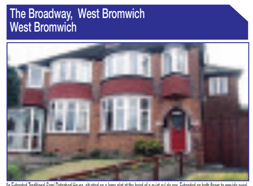
The Broadway, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

An Extended Traditional Semi Detached House, situated on a large plot at the head of a quiet cul de sac. Extended on both floors to provide excellent ground floor accommodation and 3 double bedrooms on the first floor. Centrally Heated, Majority Double Glazed and No Upward Chain. Accommodation Comprises- Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Extended Kitchen Diner, Covered Utility with stores & WC, 3 Double Bedrooms, Bathroom/ WC, Garden to front and south west facing rear garden with hardstanding for caravan/ boat and Rear Vehicle Access to Double Garage with inspection pit.
OFFERS AROUND: £139,950
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St Benedicts Close, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

A Well Appointed Detached Bungalow at the Head of a Quiet Cul De Sac. Benefitting from Central Heating, Double Glazing and Intruder Alarm. Accommodation Comprises- Integral Porch, Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/ Diner, 2 Good Size Bedrooms, Refitted Bathroom/ WC, Gardens to Front & Rear, Driveway Off Road Parking, Garage.
OFFERS AROUND: £144,950
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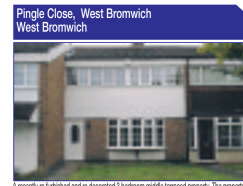
Pingle Close, West Bromwich, West Bromwich

A recently re furbished and re decorated 3 bedroom middle terraced property. The property has new gas fired central heating and Upvc double glazing and comprises :- reception hall with guest w/c off , lounge with electric fire , newly fitted kitchen with built in oven & hob, downstairs washroom, newly fitted bathroom , seperate w/c 3 bedrooms. Garage to rear of property.
OFFERS AROUND: £109,950
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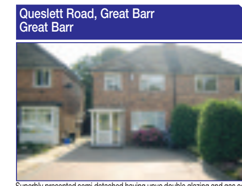
Queslett Road, Great Barr, Great Barr

Superbly presented semi detached having upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Improved accommodation for which viewing is highly recommended briefly comprises, porch, reception hall, lounge, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom with shower, block paved driveway & good size attractive rear garden.
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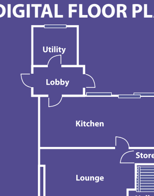

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Sandwell Avenue, Wednesbury — NEW

- Extended Semi- Detached House
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Car Drive
- No Upward Chain

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Pound Road, Wednesbury

- A Period Mid Terrace Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Lounge
- Dining Room

OFFERS AROUND: £69,950
Viewing: 0121 505 3533

Wednesbury Sutton Road, Moxley, Wednesbury — NEW

- 3 Bedroom Detached
- Extensions to Side & Rear
- Open Plan Lounge, sitting Room & Dining Room
- Family Room

- Fitted Kitchen & Utility Area
- Bathroom & Seperate WC
- Garaging for Several Cars
- Front, Side & Rear Gardens

Viewing 0121 505 3533
OFFERS AROUND: £159,950

Prince George Road, Wood Green, Wednesbury

- A Well Presented 2 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVc Double Glazing (as specified)
- Delightful Lounge with Feature Fireplace

OFFERS AROUND: £109,995
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Bassett Road, Wednesbury — NEW

- A Nicely Presented 3 Bedroom Mid Town House
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Reception Hall
- Lounge with Feature Fireplace

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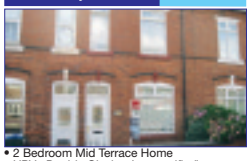
Corporation Street, Wednesbury — NEW



- 2 Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- UPVc Double Glazing (as specified)
- No Upward Chain
- Short Walk into Wednesbury Town Centre

OFFERS AROUND: £78,000
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The Crescent, Bilston — NEW

- 1 Bedroom 2nd Floor Apartment
- Double Glazing
- Electric Storage Heating
- No Upward Chain

OFFERS AROUND: £49,950
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Crew Road, Wednesbury

- Recently Refurbished 2 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating
- No Upward Chain
- Great Local Amenities & Easy Access for M6

OFFERS AROUND: £99,995
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Price Road, Wednesbury

- Well Presented 3 Bedroom Semi Detached
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Reception Hall
- Lounge & Sun Room

OFFERS AROUND: £110,000
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Crown Court, Wednesbury — NEW

- A Modern 2 Bedromo End Terrace
- No Upward Chain
- Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location
- Reception Hall

OFFERS AROUND: £74,950
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Waterside Avenue, Collegefields, Wednesbury

- Modern Executive 4 Bedroom Detached Home with No Upward Chain
- Located on Popular Development & Corner PLot
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Reception Hall & Guest WC

OFFERS AROUND: £234,995
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Waverley Road, Darlaston

- A 2 Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- Gas Centrally Heated
- Double Glazed (as specified)
- No Upward Chain

OFFERS AROUND: £64,950
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St Peter Croft, Wednesbury

- A Sizeable 4 Bedroom Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location
- Reception Hall & Guest WC

OFFERS AROUND: £249,995
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Hales Road, Wednesbury — REDUCED

- A 3 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Recently Double Glazed & Centrally Heated
- No Upward Chain
- Excellent Commuter LInks

OFFERS AROUND: £120,000
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Callear Road, Wednesbury — REDUCED

- A Spacious 3 Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- Gas Central Heating (as specified)
- Double Glazing (as specified)
- Excellent First Time Purchase with No Upward Chain

OFFERS AROUND: £76,950
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Scott Avenue, Wednesbury

- An Extended 3 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Quiet & Popular Cul-de-Sac Location
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Garages to the Rear (1 has an Inspection Pit)

OFFERS AROUND: £140,000
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Crankhall Lane, Wednesbury

- 3 Bedroom Semi Detached
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Excellent Amenities

OFFERS AROUND: £90,000
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Hydes Road, West Bromwich

- An Extended 4 Bedroom Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (As specified)
- Excellent Location for Stone Cross & Surrounding Towns
- 33ft Through Lounge/Diner

OFFERS AROUND: £189,995
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Pound Road, Wednesbury

- 2 Bedroom Mid Terrace
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing (as specified)
- Lounge

OFFERS AROUND: £86,000
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Elwell Street, Wednesbury — REDUCED

- A Double Fronted 3 Bedroom Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Reception Hall & Guest WC
- Lounge

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Westbourne Road, Darlaston

- A Period 3 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing (where specified)
- Reception Hall

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Princess Way, Victoria Mews, Darlaston

- A Modern 2 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVc Double Glazing
- Corner Plot

OFFERS AROUND: £115,000
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Cinder Way, Wednesbury

- A Recently Refurbished 2 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- No Upward Chain
- Centrally Heated and Double Glazed (where specified)
- Reception Hall

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Bassett Road, Wednesbury

- 3 Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- UPVc Double Glazing (as specified)
- No UPward Chain
- Reception Hall

OFFERS AROUND: £67,500
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Park Lane, Wednesbury

- Much Improved Mid Terrace
- 2 Double Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Dining Room

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Woden Road East, Wednesbury

- Corner Semi Detached
- Porch Entrance
- Reception Hall
- Lounge

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Hawthorn Road, Wednesbury

- A Well Presented 3 Bedroom Semi Detached
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Popular Location
- Storm Porch & Reception Hall

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Brunswick Park Road, Wednesbury

- An Extended 3 Bedroom Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (where specified)
- Reception Hall
- Lounge

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Cobden Street, Darlaston, Darlaston

- A Suprisingly Spacious 2 Bedroom Mid Terrace
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing (as specified)
- Dining Room with Ornate Cast Iron Fireplace

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Darlaston Road, Wednesbury

- A Great Investment Opportunity
- 2 Bedroom Butt Detached Home
- In Need of General Upgrade
- No Upward Chain

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Vimy Road, Wednesbury

- A 3 Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- Requiring Upgrade & No UPward Chain
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (both as sepcified)
- Reception Hall & Guest WC

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Herberts Park Road, Darlaston

- Presented 3 Bedroom Mid Terrace
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing (as specified)
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- No Upward Chain

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Bagnall Street, Tipton

- A Traditional 3 Bedroom Semui Detached Home
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing (where specified)
- Reception Hall

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Constantine Way, Bridgefields, Bilston

- 4 Bedroom Modern Detached Home
- Double-glazing & Gas central heating (as specified)
- Reception Hall & Guest WC
- Lounge with Feature Fireplace

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Resevoir Passage, Wednesbury

- Extended 3 Bedroom Detached
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Ever Popular Area
- Reception Hall

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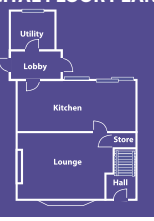

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★ Three Bedrooms
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★ Conservatory
★ Double Glazing

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★ Two Bedroom
★ Fully Fitted Kitchen
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★ Double Glazing
★ Off Road Parking
★ Landsacped Rear Garden

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★ Off Road Parking

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★ End Terraced
★ Conservatory
★ Large Garden
★ Off Road Parking

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★ Two Bedrooms
★ Fully Fitted Kitchen
★ Downstairs WC
★ Gas Central Heating

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★ Lounge
★ Kitchen
★ Garage
★ NO CHAIN

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★ Downstairs W/C
★ Double Glazing
★ Gas Central Heating

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★ Linked Detached
★ Two Reception Rooms
★ Double Glazing
★ Gas Central Heating

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★ Double Glazing
★ Gas Central Heating
★ Off Road Parking

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★ Two Reception Rooms
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★ Downstairs W/C

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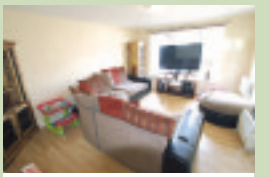

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★ Two Reception Rooms
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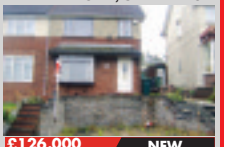
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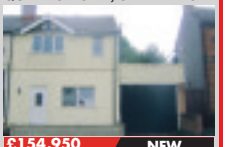
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Audi's fresh power quartet

The Audi S8 is a large and luxurious top of the range saloon

The Audi S6 has average fuel consumption of 29.1mpg

THE 2011 Frankfurt Motor Show will play host to four high-performance Audi S models sharing one new eight-cylinder engine. The new powerplant enables them to counterbalance outputs of up to 520PS with the potential for up to 29mpg.

The new bi-turbo V8, incorporating cylinder-on-demand technology and a host of other advances, replaces the naturally aspirated V10 FSI engine in the all-new S6, S6 Avant and S8 models, and in the process improves economy by as much as 25 per cent. It is also at the heart of a completely new addition to the S quattro Series – the new S7 Sportback.

In the S6 and S6 Avant the new 4.0-litre, twin-turbo V8 delivers ample power with fuel economy in keeping with the times. It appears here in 420PS form, and provides a constant 550Nm of torque from 1,400 to 5,300rpm, enough to catapult the S6 from 0 to 62mph in 4.8 seconds and the S6 Avant in 4.9 seconds, and to spur them on to an electronically governed top speed of 155mph.

Performance

The 4.0 TFSI brings Audi's downsizing strategy to the high-performance class. Compared to the 5.2-litre V10, it offers even stronger performance while reducing fuel consumption by as much as 25 per cent. Average fuel consumption is 29.1mpg in the S6 and 28.8mpg in the S6 Avant, well above that of the competition.

The two new S models are fitted as standard with adaptive air suspension in its firmer "sport" configuration. The tautly tuned air suspension with variable damping lowers the body by 10mm, and provides for highly precise handling without compromising comfort. Four 19-inch cast aluminium wheels in a unique five parallel spoke design frame the black calipers of the powerful front and rear internally ventilated disc brakes, which can be replaced by carbon fibre-ceramic discs as an option.

The Audi S7 Sportback uses the same engine as the S6 and S6 Avant – the new 4.0 TFSI with 420PS and 550Nm of torque. The twin-turbo V8 accelerates the five-door coupe from 0 to 62mph in 4.9 seconds, and top speed is limited to 155mph. The cultivated eight-cylinder, which uses Audi's "cylinder on demand" technology under part load, achieves an impressive combined economy figure of 29.1mpg.

The S7 Sportback is fitted as standard with adaptive air suspension sport and the Audi drive select dynamics system. Mounted behind the 19-inch wheels are large, internally ventilated disc brakes front and rear. Their black calipers are stamped with S7 logos at the front. Carbon fibre-ceramic discs are available as an option. Other chassis options include 20-inch wheels and dynamic steering, which varies its ratio as a function of speed.

Sublime

The Audi S8 is the new head of the Audi S model family – a large and luxurious saloon that can deliver sublime comfort or supreme excitement as required. The new 4.0-litre TFSI in the S8 generates no less than 520PS and delivers a constant 650Nm of torque to the crankshaft between 1,700 and 5,500rpm. The result is outstanding performance: the sprint from zero to 62mph takes just 4.2 seconds, and top speed is electronically capped at 155mph.

This makes the fuel consumption of the sonorous and smooth twin-turbo V8 all the more amazing: It averages 27.7mpg on the combined cycle, a considerable gain over its competitors, and its predecessor – the 5.2-litre V10 in the previous S8 posted 21.4mpg in the equivalent test. This has been achieved despite a 70PS increase in output.

The new Audi S8 strikes its impressive balance between performance and efficiency with the combined technologies of the Audi modular efficiency platform, including the recuperation and start-stop systems. The newly developed "cylinder on demand" technology also plays a very significant role.

Under part load, it deactivates four of the eight cylinders for an efficiency gain that is particularly pronounced at moderate motorway speeds. A package of acoustic measures including the Active Noise Cancellation system suppresses possible intrusive noise and vibrations.

The eight-speed tiptronic in the S8 unites sportiness and efficiency. It uses tall gears at low revs when possible, but downshifts quickly and comfortably when requested. The tiptronic delivers the power to a quattro drivetrain combining a self-locking centre differential with the sport differential on the rear axle.

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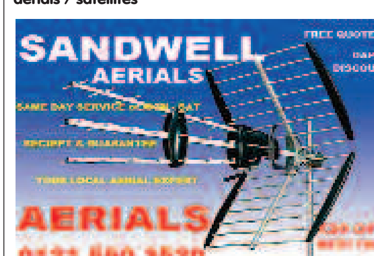

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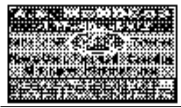

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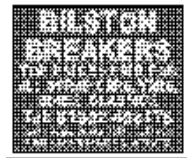

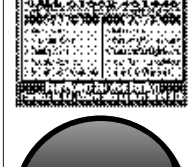

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COMPANY NUMBER: 6597596

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of The Solvency Act 1986 that a meeting of creditors of the above named Company will be held at 'Himley Hall', Dudley Road, Himley, Dudley, West Midlands DY3 4DF, on Friday 16th September 2011, at 11.30 am, for the purposes provided for in sections 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act.

Creditors should note that the resolutions to be voted on at the meeting may include a resolution specifying the method of calculating liquidators remuneration. Creditors at the meeting will receive information and advised about the costs of preparing the Statement of Affairs and convening the meeting.

Frank Anthony Hatch of F A Hatch & Co, 'Castle View', 48 Salop Street, Dudley, West Midlands DY1 3AY (Tel No. 01384 458262), is a person qualified to act as an Insolvency Practitioner in relation to the Company who will, during the period before the day of the Meeting, furnish Creditors, free of charge, with such information concerning the Company's affairs as they may reasonably require.

A Proxy intended to be used at the Meeting must be lodged with the Secretary of the Company C/o F A Hatch & Co, 'Castle View' West Midlands DY1 3AY, not later than 12.00 noon on Thursday 15th September 2011.

Dated this 2nd day of September 2011

Mr Ron Beckford,
Director

HIGHWAYS AGENCY

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984-SECTION 14(1)(a)
THE M5 AND M6 MOTORWAYS (M5 JUNCTION 2 TO M6 JUNCTION 9) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION AND PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport intends to make an Order on the M5 and M6 Motorways, in the Metropolitan Boroughs of Sandwell and Walsall to allow drainage repair work to be carried out.

The effect of the Order will be to –

(1) impose a 50 miles per hour speed restriction on –
(a) the northbound carriageway of the M5 between its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 2 and its junction with the link roads leading to the M6;
(b) the southbound carriageway of the M5 between its junction with the link roads leading from the M6 and its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 1;
(c) the link roads connecting the M5 with the M6 at M6 Junction 8;
(d) the slip roads leading –
(i) to the northbound carriageway of the M5 at Junction 1;
(ii) from the northbound carriageway of the M5 at Junction 1; and
(iii) from the southbound carriageway of the M5 at Junction 1;

(2) close –
(a) the northbound carriageway of the M5 between its junction with the exit slip road at Junction 1 and its junction with the link roads leading to the M6;
(b) the southbound carriageway of the M5 between its junction with the exit slip road and its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 1;
(c) the link roads connecting the M5 with the M6 at M6 Junction 8;
(d) the slip roads leading –
(i) to the northbound carriageway of the M5 at Junction 1;
(ii) from the southbound carriageway of the M5 at Junction 1; and
(iii) to the southbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 9;
(3) close various lengths of the M5 and the link roads described in 1)(b) and (2)(a) and (c) above and allow traffic to run on the hard shoulder; and
(4) prohibit vehicles with an overall width exceeding 2 metres from entering or proceeding in –
(i) lane 3 of the lengths of M5 described in (1)(b) and (2)(a) above; or
(ii) lane 2 of the link roads described in (2)(c) above.

Work is expected to start on Monday 3 October 2011 and continue for twelve weeks. The Order will come into force on 26 September 2011.

Vehicles being used for special forces purposes will be exempt from the speed limit. Vehicles being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes will be exempt from the speed limit, closures and width restriction and vehicles being used in connection with the works or by a traffic officer will be exempt from the closures and width restriction.

For further information, please contact Laura Mobley on 0121 687 4107.

MIKE LLOYD, a Higher Executive Officer in the Highways Agency.

SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SANDWELL(PROVIDENCE PLACE, WEST BROMWICH) (NO WAITING, LOADING OR UNLOADING) ORDER 2011 and THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SANDWELL (PROVIDENCE PLACE, WEST BROMWICH) (ONE-WAY TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

The Borough Council of Sandwell in exercise of its powers under Sections 1 and 2 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers and after consulting with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the said Act of 1984 proposes to make two Orders which will have the effect of:-

1. Implementing no waiting at any time in the entire length of Providence Place, West Bromwich.
2. Implementing no loading at any time in the entire length of Providence Place, West Bromwich.
3. Prohibiting any vehicle from proceeding in a westerly direction in Providence Place, West Bromwich, from its junction with Cronehills Linkway, for a distance of 32 metres, having the effect of making this section of Providence Place a one-way street.

A copy of the draft Orders, a statement of reasons for making the Orders and a map showing the road affected may be examined at the offices of the Director of Legal and Governance Services, Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street, Oldbury, West Midlands, B69 3DE between the hours of 8.00 am - 5.30 pm on Mondays to Thursdays and 8.00 am - 5.00 pm on Fridays. Plans are also available to view on the Council's website.

Any person wishing to make an objection or representation to the proposed Orders must do so in writing stating the grounds of their objections to the Highways Services Manager, Environment House, Lombard Street, West Bromwich, West Midlands, B70 8RU or by e mail to highways@sandwell.gov.uk by no later than 29th September 2011.

Dated this 8th day of September 2011
N Sharma
Director of Legal and Governance Services
Sandwell Council House
Freeth Street, Oldbury, West Midlands B69 3DE

SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SANDWELL (BLUEBELL ROAD AND HIGHLAND ROAD, CRADLEY HEATH) (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES) ORDER 2011

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Borough Council of Sandwell intends, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in Bluebell Road and Highland Road from their junctions with Halesowen Road for a distance of approximately 50 metres.
2. The alternative routes for vehicles are as follows:

   Bluebell Road via Bluebell Road, Cox's Lane, Halesowen Road and vice versa.

   Highland Road via Highland Road, Hickmans Avenue, Reddal Hill Road and vice versa.
3. The purpose and reason for the Order is to facilitate resurfacing works to Halesowen Road.
4. The Order will take effect on 22nd September 2011, and it is anticipated that the works may commence on that day and are to take place between the hours of 9.30 am until 3.30 pm daily. The works are expected to be completed on 30th September 2011. The Order may continue in force for a period not exceeding 18 months, or until the works in connection with the Order have been completed, whichever is the sooner.
5. Any queries about the works to take place should be directed to Nigel Underwood of Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council on telephone number 0121 569 4157. Any queries about the effect of the order on traffic using the highway should be directed to Keith Sansom, Highways Services Manager, Environment House, Lombard Street, West Bromwich, B70 8RU (Telephone 0121 569 4149).

DATED this 8th day of September 2011
N SHARMA
Director of Legal and Governance Services

Sandwell Council House
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SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SANDWELL (CHAPEL LANE, GREAT BARR) (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE) ORDER 2011

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Borough Council of Sandwell intends, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in Chapel Lane from its junction with Birmingham Road to its junction with Coronation Road.
2. The alternative route for vehicles will be via Pinfold Lane, Old Hall Lane, Beacon Road, Queslett Road, Birmingham Road and vice versa.
3. The purpose and reason for the Order is to facilitate resurfacing works to part of Chapel Lane.
4. The Order will take effect on 18th September 2011, and it is anticipated that the works will be completed on the same day. The Order may continue in force for a period not exceeding 18 months, or until the works in connection with the Order have been completed, whichever is the sooner.
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SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SANDWELL (LOWER CHURCH LANE AND HEATH CLOSE, TIPTON) (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES) ORDER 2011

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Borough Council of Sandwell intends, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 14 and 15 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in:-
   A) Lower Church Lane from its junction with Horseley Heath for a distance of 50 metres.

   The alternative routes for vehicles will be as follows:

   To the North of the closure via Horseley Heath, Horseley Road, Alexandra Road, Lower Church Lane and vice versa.

   To the South of the closure via Park Lane East, Coneygree Road, Sedgley Road East, Dudley Port and vice versa.

   B) Heath Close from its junction with Horseley Heath for a distance of 25 metres.
2. The purpose and reason for the Order is to facilitate resurfacing works to Horseley Heath.
3. The Order will take effect on 18th September 2011. It is anticipated that the works will be completed on the same day the Order takes effect. The Order may continue in force for a period not exceeding 18 months, or until the works in connection with the Order have been completed, whichever is the sooner.
4. Any queries about the works to take place should be directed to Nigel Underwood of Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council on telephone number 0121 569 4157. Any queries about the effect of the order on traffic using the highway should be directed to Keith Sansom, Highways Services Manager, Environment House, Lombard Street, West Bromwich, B70 8RU (Telephone 0121 569 4149).

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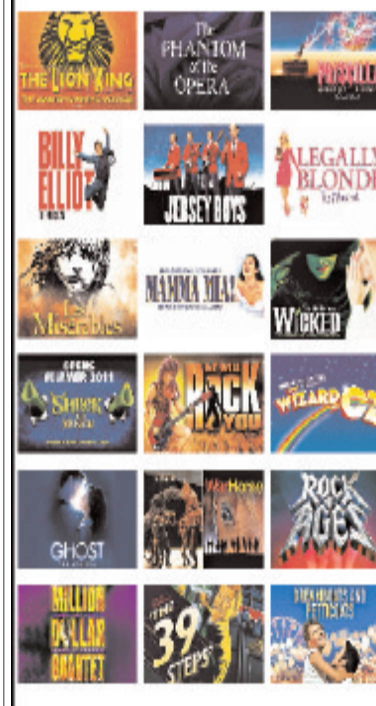

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NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Tividale are left reeling by late strike

TIVIDALE were the victims of a late smash and grab as Kirby Muxloe stole a point with an equaliser six minutes into added time.

The hosts had outplayed their Midland Alliance rivals and looked set for victory courtesy of a strike from Adam Whattley.

But they were made to pay the price for falling to hammer home their supremacy when Lee McAthie struck a dramatic leveller.

Tividale started brighty and visiting goalkeeper Tom Holyoak denied Whattley and Danny Campbell in quick succession.

Kirby replied with a close range header from Lee Barratt that just went wide and came close to taking the lead on 15 minutes when Stuart Verrall was denied by a stunning close-range save from James Trevalen.

That scare proved to be a wake-up call for Tividale and they looked the more threatening team for the remainder of the half.

On 18 minutes, Mark Swann went close with a close-range shot.

Whattley had the ball into the net after 23 minutes, but his effort was ruled out for a foul on the keeper.

TIVIDALE 1
KIRBY•MUXLOE 1

Escape

Three minutes later the visitors had another narrow escape when defender Chris Goodman almost put through his own net when his miss hit clearance struck his hand before passing just wide of the upright for a corner, prompting load appeals for a penalty from the Tividale players and crowd.

The play continued to be in and around the visitors' penalty area and Tividale came close when a Whattley shot clipped the crossbar after he and Jason Chilton had opened up a packed defence.

Chilton was again involved in a promising move with Whattley which this time led to Swann's goal-bound shot being saved by Holyoak.

The visitors made a lively start to the second half and Barratt shot wide from a free-kick on 50 minute before Ben Law forced a good save from Trevalen.

But it was the hosts who struck first when Whattley coolly beat Holyoak.

Manager Dean Whitehouse then took the initiative in an attempt to build on their advantage when Swann and Campbell were replaced by Jukes and Russell and the move almost paid off.

Jukes was twice thwarted in one-on-one situations by Holyoak while the keeper also denied Russell.

Tividale went close to adding a second when Adam Hill saw his volley flash just past the upright.

Whitehouse's side were then left reeling when But it McAthie headed home from a free-kick in added time.

Tipton back on cup trail

Action from Tipton's FA•Cup victory over Highgate at Tipton Sports Academy

An aerial challenge during the FA•Cup clash

TIPTON•TOWN 4 HIGHGATE 1

TIPTON got off to a perfect start in this FA•Cup clash when Leigh Downing notched from just the second attack of the game.

Highgate responded well with a number of free-kicks that Tipton gave away too cheaply.

In the 36th minute Jay Chambers, in his first start of the season, bought out the save of the half from Highgate captain Edwards.

There were a couple of half-hearted shouts for penalties as first Cooper and then Bissell drove into the Highgate area but both were turned down by the referee.

The second half started with Tipton Town picking up from where they left off, with Max Bissell pulling a shot wide.

In the 50th minute Highgate drew level after Wes Cox in the Tipton goal pulled up with a shoulder injury.

Finished

Reece Hewitt controlled, turned and shot at the same time past the injured keeper. Luke Stevens was immediately called upon to take over from Cox.

This seemed to stir the Tipton players and the home side found another gear and on 58 minutes a magnificent move started by Tom Tonks on the half way line was finished by the same player after good play by Bissell.

Jay Chambers the latter was now proving a handful for the back four of Highgate. Another two magnificent moves ended with Eric Bowen setting up Bissell for Tipton's third.

The fourth came from the same side down the right with a four-man move finished off by man of the match Chambers.

The result means Tipton, who went all the way to the first round proper last season before being defeated by League One side Carlisle, will now face Causeway in the next round.

Olympic run rings around Warley side blighted by injuries

KINGSLEY OLYMPIC 2 WARLEY ALBION 0

WARLEY Albion kicked off their season with a disappointing loss when they visited at Kinglsey Olympic, in a game that the cliché "a game of two halves" could have been coined for.

Warley dominated the first half and should have been more effective in front of goal, but Ben Whittall, Danny Daly, Joseph Roberts and James Hill saw chances saved by the Olympic keeper.

Natty Standen was causing problems for the home side, but it was the final ball that was to prove to be Albion's downfall on the day.

The second half saw the home side grow in confidence and following an injury to Shazad Miah, they soon found themselves in front when Billy Bramley ran between Marcus Morris and Cameron Simpson, to slot the ball beneath Albion's shot stopper Jack Graham.

Minutes later Olympic'sBen Brown found himself unmarked at a corner and slid the ball into Albion's net to put the home side 2-0 up.

Warley sub Reece Gorman was put out of action with ten minutes to go, and with Miah still receiving treatment, it meant that Warley had to finish the game with ten men.

Rio Cameron and Harry Withers worked hard in midfield and broke up several attacks but Albion eventually ran out of time.

Club Secretary, Stuart Kidson, said after the game "I was a little disappointed with the outcome considering our first half performance and may have been overly critical of the boys when I said they were allowed one poor performance this season and that was it.

"On reflection this was their first match because we've had no friendlies pre-season and I will apologise to the lads at training on Saturday."

ASTON VILLA

Concern as Bent pulls out of the England squad

VILLA were this week checking on the fitness of Darren Bent after he pulled out of England's squad for their Euro 2012 qualifier with Wales due to injury.

The 27-year-old striker missed England's 3-0 win over Bulgaria, which helped them move three points clear of Montenegro at the top of Group G, with a groin problem.

Bent has been allowed to return to Bodymoor Heath for treatment and was being assessed by the club's medical staff on Monday ahead of Saturday's Premier League clash with Everton.

Villa boss Alex McLeish will also be keeping his fingers crossed that Shay Given returns from Ireland duty unscathed for the trip to Goodison Park.

The 35-year-old goalkeeper has struggled with a tight groin this season, although he played the full 90 minutes in Ireland's goalless draw with Slovakia on Friday.

Given subsequently sat out training with a combination of that and a back problem and Ireland coach Giovanni Trapattoni will check on his fitness ahead of their game against Russia.

United

Meanwhile, midfielder Barry Bannan revealed McLeish has united the Villa dressing room in the short period since he became manager.

Last season was hit by internal strife involving players and staff which culminated in a row at a health spa involving defenders James Collins and Richard Dunne.

Former boss Gerard Houllier also fell out with certain players at the club.

But McLeish, who made a controversial switch from Birmingham City in June, has proved a big hit with the squad.

"Last season Gerard Houllier had differences with a few players who were big parts of the team," said Bannan.

"It was a difficult time last season as a youngster coming through.

"It wasn't good last year but now you can see a big difference. Everyone is pulling in the same direction.

""There is also respect around the place."

Second-half double sinks Bustleholme

PEGASUS•JNRS 2 BUSTLEHOLME 1

BUSTLEHOLME travelled to Herefordshire on a poor run of form but you wouldn't have guessed as they completely dominated the first half.

Adam Griffiths pulled all the strings in midfield and he started the move which led to the visitors taking an early lead.

Griffiths combined with Connor Deeley-Brewer to find Danny Snell who in turn teed-up the unmarked Jamie Clews to score with a low drive.

The home side started the second half on the front foot and on several occasions worked Bustleholme keeper Neil Page.

On the hour Pegasus were thrown a lifeline when a needless free-kick was given away and the Bustleholme defence were caught napping as a quickly taken pass found Sammy Harrison who fired past the unsighted Page.

The hosts bagged the winner from the penalty spot 15 minutes from time. A run from Corey Hyde was bought to an end when Max Whitehouse upended him just inside the area. Harrison picked himself up to finish from the spot.

Bustleholme were then reduced to 10 men in the final minute. Deeley-Brewer appeared to have his shirt pulled but as both players fell to the ground the referee saw it as a free-kick to Pegasus and gave Deeley-Brewer his marching orders for a second yellow card.

Smethwick share spoils

WARSTONES 1 AFC•SMETHWICK 1

NEWLY-PROMOTED Smethwick gave Warstones a run for their money in this highly competitive game which could have gone either way had both teams been sharper in front of goal.

Warstones went ahead when a mix-up between two Smethick defenders was punished.

Smethwick responded but couldn't round off some impressive play with a goal. But they were level just before the break when a cross from the left was headed on by Wemm for Lewis to head in.

The second half saw Smethick dominate proceedings but they were guilty of squandering a number of openings.

The introduction of new signing McFarland gave Smethwick some added flair and a great through ball from him created a chance that Lewis failed to take.

Warstones came close in the last minute when Dodds pushed a shot wide of the post.

CRICKET

Old Hill keep promotion hope alive

SKIPPER Nathan Round led from the front as **Old Hill** kept their Division One promotion hopes alive with a resounding eight-wicket success against Wombourne.

After restricting Wombourne to 233-7, Round marshalled the victory charge with an undefeated 142. The win left the Haden Hill outfit in third place in the table, 27 points off the top two with two games remaining.

Wolverhampton all but clinched their Premier Division survival with a seven-wicket win over Moseley. Worcestershire's Moeen Ali took 5-69 to restrict Moseley to 211 all out.

Ali, who was only available because The Pears beat Lancashire inside two days, then struck 112 in Wolverhampton's response. Aaron Jeavons hit 59 to add to his 3-42 in a result that left the Danescourt men 36 points clear of danger with two games left.

West Bromwich Dartmouth fell to a 65-run reverse against Barnt Green – a result that saw the Worcestershire side crowned champion.

Former England one day international Dougie Brown shone with bat and ball for Barnt Green. He struck 72 not out to help them to 274-5 and then took 6-37 as Dartmouth collapsed from 190-5 to 209 all out. New Zealander Jeet Raval made 99.

Walsall crushed **Smethwick** by 133 runs after skipper Paul Byrne (72) and Alex McChristie (37) inspired a recovery from 112-6 to 262-9. Faisal Shahid took three early wickets for 27.

Spinners David Powles (4-18) and Byrne (3-24) then combined to help skittle Smethwick for 129.

Himley suffered a four-wicket defeat at the hands of Kidderminster. The Stourbridge Road side managed a disappointing 176 all out, despite a stand of 105 for the second wicket between Greg Wright (80) and Ben Smith (49).

Jonathan Wright (4-39) and Richard Kimberlin (4-40) were the pick of the Kidder bowlers. Matt Pardoe (49) and Craig Wood (44) then saw the hosts home.

Despite Dave Womble taking 4-56 for Cannock, the Morris Ground side crashed to a 125-run defeat to Eastnor after crumbling to 84 all out in Division Two.

Fordhouses were dismissed for 118 against Bridgnorth but that total proved to be enough as Christopher Hlengani's 5-40 reduced the Shropshire side to 91 all out.

Brewood extended their lead in Division Three to 10 points after a 116-run over Studley. Brewood recovered from 74-7 to 227 all out, thanks to Bruce Thomason's 129 and 55 from Chris Guest. Chris Pearce (4-30) and Guest (3-43) helped dismiss Studley for 111.

Dinesh De Silva hit 88 and then took 5-35 as **Wednesbury** boosted their survival hopes with a 189-run win over St Georges.

BIRMINGHAM LEAGUE RESULTS

1st XI – Premier Division

Barnt Green (24 pts) 274-5 (D Brown 72*, N Newport 71) defeated WB Dartmouth (5 pts) 209 (J Raval 99, D Brown 6-37) by 65 runs

Kidderminster Victoria (24 pts) 178-6 (M Pardoe 49, C Wood 44) defeated Himley (4 pts) 176 (G Wright 80, B Smith 49, J Wright 4-39, R Kimberlin 4-40) by 4 wickets

Leamington Spa (7 pts) 247-9 (P Best 74, M Lewis 66, B Shafayat 4-58) drew with Wellington (16 pts) 289-4 (B Shafayat 140, R Aucott 81*)

Shrewsbury (20 pts) 194-6 (R Bishop 107*) defeated Knowle & Dorridge (4 pts) 192-9 (A Chishti 73, A Miller 66, M Barnard 4-48) by 4 wickets

Smethwick (5 pts) 129 (D Powles 4-18) lost to Walsall (24 pts) 262-9 (P Byrne 72) by 133 runs

Wolverhampton (24 pts) 212-3 (M Ali 112, A Jeavons 59) defeated Moseley (4 pts) 211 (H Jones 69, M Ali 5-69) by 7 wickets

Division One

Attock (24 pts) 241-8 (S Mahmood 67, W Saleem 55) defeated Dorridge (6 pts) 205 (D Ball 112, S Karim 7-43) by 36 runs

Berkswell (24 pts) 199-8 (D Ostler 55, C Cheslin 49) defeated Evesham (5 pts) 197-9 (T Underhill 50, J Dodd 44, D Brignull 4-61) by 2 wickets

Bromsgrove (4 pts) 174 (A Gailey 64, A Newdick 44, T Gruijters 6-32) lost to Walmley (24 pts) 175-6 (C Whittock 41) by 4 wickets

Kenilworth Wardens (2 pts) 129 lost to Brockhampton (24 pts) 272-4 (B Stebbings 87, H Langford 77, J Walker 48*) by 143 runs

Old Hill (20 pts) 234-2 (N Round 142*) defeated Wombourne (3 pts) 233-7 (L Hughes 73*) by 8 wickets

Shifnal (24 pts) 204-3 (T Collins 105, C Brabazon 76*) defeated Coventry NW (4 pts) 202 (L Reeves 46, H Dawson 8-60) by 7 wickets

Division Two

Bridgnorth (4 pts) 91 (C Hlengani 5-40) lost to Fordhouses (24 pts) 118 (J Whitney 5-31, M MacPherson-Lees 4-34) by 27 runs

Eastnor (24 pts) 209 (J Khalid 46, D Womble 4-56) defeated Cannock (4 pts) 84 (A ur-Rehman 5-10) by 125 runs

Halesowen (20 pts) 205-6 (W Griffiths 76*, P Croft 41*) defeated Stratford-upon-Avon (5 pts) 201 (S Bishop 82*, D Jeavons 6-53) by 4 wickets

Harborne (4 pts) 242 (N A Khan 48) lost to Ombersley (20 pts) 246-2 (L Gwynne 120, O Steele 74) by 8 wickets

Old Elizabethans (5 pts) 200 (J Taylor 85, J Boyle 48, A Ali 6-70) lost to Whitchurch (24 pts) 271-6 (M Hasnain 125, R Oliver 63) by 71 runs

Water Orton (20 pts) 309-7 defeated Aston Manor (7 pts) 308 by 3 wickets

Division Three

Barnards Green (20 pts) 233-3 defeated Lichfield (4 pts) 232-8 (A Braddock 84) by 7 wickets

Brewood (24 pts) 227 (B Thomason 129, C Guest 55, G Singh 5-46) defeated Studley (4 pts) 111 (C Pearce 4-30) by 116 runs

Oswestry (24 pts) 239-8 defeated Tamworth (5 pts) 181 by 58 runs

Penn (4 pts) 145 (C Smith 4-48) lost to Handsworth (24 pts) 249-8 by 104 runs

St Georges (4 pts) 91 (D De Silva 5-35, B Matharu 4-26) lost to Wednesbury (24 pts) 280-9 (D De Silva 88, P Matharu 52, C Baker 50*) by 189 runs

Sutton Coldfield (20 pts) 157-4 defeated Coleshill (2 pts) 156 by 6 wickets

2nd XI – Premier Division

Knowle & Dorridge (24 pts) 121-1 defeated Shrewsbury (1 point) 120 by 9 wickets

Moseley (15 pts) 264-3 drew with Wolverhampton (6 pts) 224-7 (A Grant 61, J Turner 42*)

Stratford-upon-Avon (0 pts) 60 (A Logan 6-20) lost to Kidderminster Victoria (20 pts) 63-0 by 10 wickets

Walmley (24 pts) 327-5 defeated Leamington Spa (5 pts) 234 by 93 runs

Walsall (3 pts) 163-9 lost to Harborne (24 pts) 166-4 by 6 wickets

WB Dartmouth (2 pts) 177-9 (V Patel 58, H Dhoolab 47*, C Smith 5-38) lost to Old Hill (20 pts) 178-2 (S Aslam 90, H Ahmed 59*) by 8 wickets

Division One

Coventry NW (5 pts) 222-7 lost to Shifnal (20 pts) 226-5 by 5 wickets

Dorridge (20 pts) 231-7 defeated Attock (6 pts) 230-8 by 3 wickets

Himley (6 pts) 164 lost to Halesowen (24 pts) 195 by 31 runs

Tamworth (6 pts) 127-8 drew with Bridgnorth (16 pts) 220-8

Wellington (6 pts) 165-7 drew with Old Elizabethans (17 pts) 265-5

Wombourne (24 pts) 218-7 (S Priest 61, G Brandrick 46) defeated Water Orton (6 pts) 213 (N Cooper 4-66) by 5 runs

Division Two (North)

Aston Manor (24 pts) 181-2 defeated Sutton Coldfield (2 pts) 180-9 by 8 wickets

Cannock (7 pts) 181-8 (J Caswell 42, S Patel 5-59) drew with Penn (17 pts) 245-7 (G Gough 80, V Lal 45)

Fordhouses (4 pts) 139 (L Parry 45, I Davies 4-42) lost to Oswestry (24 pts) 233-7 by 94 runs

Lichfield (5 pts) 150 (R Chivers 58, M Ijaz 4-17) lost to Smethwick (24 pts) 193 (I Sheikh 50, B Astley 5-57) by 43 runs

Wednesbury (20 pts) 180-1 defeated St Georges (2 pts) 177 by 9 wickets

Whitchurch (17 pts) 320-3 drew with Brewood (5 pts) 184-7

Division Two (South)

Brockhampton (15 pts) 270-8 drew with Kenilworth Wardens (7 pts) 188-3

Coleshill (3 pts) 160 lost to Barnt Green (24 pts) 161-4 by 6 wickets

Evesham (5 pts) 172 lost to Berkswell (24 pts) 174-7 by 3 wickets

Handsworth (24 pts) 221 defeated Eastnor (4 pts) 68 by 153 runs

Ombersley (5 pts) 207 lost to Barnards Green (24 pts) 208-6 by 4 wickets

sport

Tipton Town are back on the FA Cup trail after a 4-1 win over Highgate – see inside for match report

Injuries to Long and Odemwingie may give Simon Cox a chance to impress

Out-of-favour strikers may get chance against the Canaries on Sunday

'I will fight for my place,' says Cox

STRIKER Simon Cox has pledged to fight for his place at Albion despite his lack of action at the start of this season.

The forward has not played in the Premier League yet this term despite making the bench for each of the first three matches.

But Cox, whose only club appearance so far came when he scored in the 4-1 Carling Cup win at Bournemouth, this week insisted that he will stay patient as he waits for a chance.

"I'm a patient sort of person," said Cox, who ended last season in his best form since joining the Baggies from Swindon in 2009.

"It will depend how long I can be patient for before deciding if it's best for me to stay or leave, but that's a long time down the road yet and I'm happy to fight for my place.

"The reason I'm not playing at club level is because we've got so many good players at The Hawthorns. It just isn't my time at the moment but it will come.

"With Shane Long having come in and done so well so far, it is good for us," he added.

Cox travelled with Ireland to Russia this week for the Euro 2012 qualifier.

He is confident a lack of action at club level will not harm his international prospects after he burst onto the Ireland scene with two goals in the Carling Nations Cup at the end of last season.

"I'm still the same player who came in for the Carling Nations Cup and the Macedonia game. I'm no different," he said.

Fitness

Meanwhile, Albion are sweating on the fitness of both their main strikers for Sunday's trip to Norwich after Shane Long withdrew from Ireland duty through injury.

The summer signing returned to his club this week to have his calf muscle assessed after it failed to heal in time for the Euro 2012 qualifier in Russia.

And Peter Odemwingie is also battling to be fit for the visit to Carrow Road, leaving boss Roy Hodgson facing an anxious wait for news on his forward line.

Long was injured in Ireland training on Thursday, forcing him out of Friday's qualifier against Slovakia at the Aviva Stadium.

Boss Giovanni Trapattoni hoped Long would recover to make the trip to Moscow but those hopes were dashed at the weekend.

Odemwingie spent last week being treated for the ankle injury that flared up again after he made his first and only appearance of the season as a substitute in the defeat to Chelsea on August 20.

And the Nigeria international revealed on Twitter that he hoped to be fit enough at least for a place on the substitutes' bench against the Canaries. But with both main strikers touch-and-go for the trip to Norfolk, Hodgson might be forced to turn to either Marc-Antoine Fortune or Simon Cox to partner Somen Tchoyi in attack. Hodgson could also have Zoltan Gera available to play some part in the match after his summer ankle surgery.

Brutal times ahead, warns coach

STRAIGHT-talking coach Michael Appleton has warned Albion to stamp out their mistakes or face more "brutal" treatment at the hands of the Premier League.

Roy Hodgson's right-hand man told the Baggies they cannot repeat the errors that cost them in each of their first three matches of the season.

Albion will return to action at Norwich on Sunday with Appleton in no doubt how they must improve to break their points duck.

"Ultimately errors have cost us in the first three games," he said. "We haven't lost to a wonder-strike and we haven't lost to a piece of brilliance.

"The shape and the way the team has played has been OK but the losses have been down to errors. And if you don't stamp them out you're not going to pick up points in the Premier League.

"It's a brutal league and you will be disappointed week in, week out if people aren't prepared to do their jobs properly.

"We would have liked to go into the break with some points on the board but we haven't done it. That puts a bit more pressure on the game at Norwich. But we will go there re-energised."

Meanwhile, Albion have submitted a 23-man squad list to the Premier League for the first half of the season. Clubs can name a maximum of 25 'over-21' players for use in Premier League matches with at least eight meeting the league's 'home grown' criteria – the Baggies list features 10.

Craig Dawson, Joe Mattock and George Thorne do not need to be named in the squad as they were still under 21 on January 1.

Albion's 23-man Premier squad: Roman Bednar, Chris Brunt, Simon Cox, Luke Daniels, Graham Dorrans, Marc-Antoine Fortune, Ben Foster, Marton Fulop, Zoltan Gera, Gonzalo Jara Reyes, Billy Jones, Shane Long, Gareth McAuley, James Morrison, Youssouf Mulumbu, Peter Odemwingie, Jonas Olsson, Steven Reid, Paul Scharner, Nicky Shorey, Gabriel Tamas, Somen Tchoyi, Jerome Thomas.

SPEEDWAY

Boss puts Brummies up for sale

BIRMINGHAM Speedway owner Tony Mole has announced the Perry Barr-based club is up for sale.

Kidderminster-based businessman Mole, who revived the sport in the city in 2007 after an absence of more than 20-years, is prepared to listen to offers but is adamant he wants to see the club remain in the Elite League next season.

He said: "Birmingham Speedway is available for sale on financially favourable terms.

"It will be the intention of the vendors that the speedway club stays in the Elite League in the 2012 season.

"I hope this will reassure our fans."

Tony Mole:will sell the Brummies to a buyer committed to Elite League status

WOLVERHAMPTON 48 BIRMINGHAM 45

BIRMINGHAM picked up a consolation point from a 48-45 defeat at neighbours Wolverhampton in a tough Elite League derby clash on Monday.

The Perry Barr side were 12-points down with five races to go in a rushed meeting because of the constant rain. But they bounced back in some style with a late rally to secure the point.

Guest Scott Nicholls, in for the suspended Krzysztof Kasprzak, pulled off a fine win over home track specialist Peter Karlsson in heat 11 to spark a revival.

This was followed by Danny King's six-point tactical ride in the next to get Birmingham back within seven of their local rivals.

Former Wolves rider Daniel Nermark was a surprise winner of heat 13 and Nicholls partnered him for a maximum 5-1 over Grand Prix star Freddie Lindgren and suddenly Birmingham were sensing a surprise win.

But talented British youngster Tai Woffinden completed his second successive home maximum with wins in the last two races to hand Wolves two league points and the Brummies had to settle for a consolation one-point.

Birmingham boss Graham Drury said: "It was a great effort by the boys and well done to both teams. We have booked Scott Nicholls for King's Lynn on Wednesday as well."

WOLVERHAMPTON: Tai Woffinden 15, Freddie Lindgren 9+1, Peter Karlsson 8, Ludvig Lindgren 7, Ty Proctor 6, Ricky Wells 3+1, Joe Haines 0.

BIRMINGHAM: Danny King 12, Scott Nicholls 10+2, Daniel Nermark 9+1, Claus Vissing 5+3, Ales Dryml 5, Ulrich Ostergaard 2+2, Ben Barker 2.

LAKESIDE 51 BIRMINGHAM 42

Birmingham were left frustratingly short of a point on their travels when going down to a 51-42 Elite League defeat at Lakeside on Friday evening.

The Hammers always looked the likely winners after taking the lead as early as Heat 3, but the Brummies stayed in touch and took the battle for the bonus league point to the very last race.

Davey Watt proved to be a decent choice of guest for the suspended Krzystof Kasprzak scoring 10+1, and Daniel Nermark rode well for his 11-point haul, which included a tactical ride victory as they fought back from trailing 30-18 after eight races.

Lakeside looked to be heading to another comfortable home win, but Nermark's double-point defeat of Kim Nilsson and Ty Proctor in heat nine saw Graham Drury's men stage a mini fightback.

Aaron Summers and Danny King then gave them an even better chance of getting something from the match with a stunning 5-1 in heat 12, which left them trailing by just five-points (40-35) with three races to go.

Lakeside responded with a 4-2 in heat 13, but with Summers winning a shared penultimate race for the visitors there was still something to race for in Heat 15.

But Brummies came up just short of their target as the home duo of Lee Richardson and Jonas Davidsson raced to a last-gasp 4-2 over Watt and King.

LAKESIDE 51: Lee Richardson 13, Jonas Davidsson 11, Peter Ljung 9+2, Kim Nilsson 7+1, Ty Proctor 6+2, Robert Mear 5+1, Piotr Swiderski R/R

BIRMINGHAM 42: Daniel Nermark 11, Davey Watt 10+1, Aaron Summers 10, Danny King 7+1, Claus Vissing 3+1, Ulrich Ostergaard 1, Ales Dryml 0

BIRMINGHAM'S Ben Barker added the name of three-times World Champion Jason Crump to his impressive list of Perry Barr scalps this season in the final of the Phil Morris Farewell meeting.

Crump had gone through the card with four wins out of four for the World All-Stars in the 14-heat team contest, although that wasn't enough to stop the Great Britain Select from notching a win by a 12-point margin.

But the individual final for the top four scorers in the meeting proved to be the big highlight of a successful event which attracted a big crowd in support of former Brummies star Morris.

Crump, off the outside, didn't make the best of starts and found himself stuck in traffic early on, before clearing Lee Richardson and moving into third place.

Surged

Barker, though, had stolen a march up front and was some way clear after two laps, only to be reeled in by an inspired Lewis Bridger, who surged into the lead going into turns three and four for the final time.

Barker, however, got his wheels back in line quicker and re-took the lead coming out of the final bend to just beat the Eastbourne man to the finishing line for a popular win.

Morris was delighted with how his big night went. He said: "I was so pleased that the fans enjoyed it all. There was some great racing – particularly in the final – but I must say it's a very emotional evening for me.

"There's been a lot of hard work put in by a lot of people to get us here tonight and I am eternally grateful to all of them.

"The riders were brilliant and the large turn out of supporters is simply overwhelming.

"Thank you to everyone who made it all possible."

GB SELECT 51: Ben Barker 10+1, Lewis Bridger 10+1, Lee Richardson 8+2, Danny King 8+2, James Wright 8, Chris Neath 5+1, Craig Cook 2+1.

WORLD ALL-STARS 39: Jason Crump 15, Ty Proctor 11, Claus Vissing 5, Sam Simota 3+1, Ulrich Ostergaard 2+1, David Bellego 2, Richard Sweetman 1+1.

FINAL: Barker, Bridger, Crump, Richardson.

Unlucky heat 13 for Heathen

KYLE Newman returned to the Dudley Heathens side with a stunning performance but was then struck by the club's injury jinx.

Newman notched 11-points from his opening three rides in the 42-33 defeat at the Isle of Wight before he was involved in a horrifying spill.

The former Cradley club had restored pride with a hard working display including a 7-2 tactical win from Newman and Darryl Ritchings in heat 11.

But disaster struck in heat 13 when Newman was chasing Nick Simmons and clipped his back wheel with both riders hitting the fence at high speed.

Simmonds was badly dazed and Newman was taken to hospital complaining of back pain.

Heathens boss Will Pottinger said: "It was an awful crash."

He added: "We've been through a tough time and it just wasn't meant to be. We all feel dreadful about Kyle just as we did about Armo on Tuesday.

"It was a good display by the boys, they all got stuck in and they can feel proud of their efforts.

"We also want to say thanks to the fans who travelled down in big numbers, it's very much appreciated."

Heathens scorers: Kyle Newman 11, Darryl Ritchings 7+2, Tom Perry 7+1, Danny Stoneman 3+1, Ashley Morris 3, Jamie Courtney 2, Richard Franklin R/R.

Heathens hero Newman was back at his Dorset home after being released from hospital on the Isle of Wight.

Newman, in his first meeting back with the club as cover for injured skipper Jon Armstrong, has escaped with bad bruising after a horror crash with Nick Simmons in heat 13 of the 42-33 defeat at the hands of the Islanders.

X-rays

He had X-rays on various bones but they came back clear and he was able to make his way home.

Heathens chairman Nigel Pearson said: "This news is a relief to us all, although Kyle feels like he's done 20 rounds with Mike Tyson!

"The crash was awful and it was on one of the fastest parts of the track. There was a hush around the stadium, that's how shocking it was.

"It came about because Kyle was giving it his all, desperate to pass Nick Simmons. He was brilliant for ust, both on the track and in the pits with the rest of the boys.

"It's important for him to rest up at home".

BOXING

Male's mind is on Murray fight

CRADLEY'S Chris Male has been handed a date of November 26 to meet Joe Murray in the ring for the English featherweight title.

Ricky Hatton's promotional company made the winning offer to stage the fight last month and the bout will take place on a Sky Sports-televised bill.

Olympian Murray, managed by the Hattons, is the hot favourite but Male is also undefeated and regarded as one of the most promising featherweights in the country.

The two were originally paired for the vacant belt by the British Boxing Board of Control and, after watching Male box on one of their bills, the Hattons will make the fight happen.

Male will almost certainly give up home advantage as well but, after 11 straight wins since turning pro in 2008, he is confident of causing an upset.

He said: "It's a shame that this division is packed with such good fighters because, in another time, this is the standard of a British title fight, if not more.

"I am not taking anything away from the English title, it's a honour to be fighting for it, but it could be higher and that's the quality of this division.

"Being the underdog and going into his backyard doesn't make any difference to me, Joe Murray is a person I have to go through. I am not bothered about the hype, about Ricky Hatton being behind him, I am going in there to do a job. If I box to the best of my ability, I will beat Joe Murray."

Before the 'Male Man' goes in for the English crown, Stephen Smith will defend his British and Commonwealth titles against Lee Selby in just over a week's time.

The winner of both contests are likely face each other in another domestic showdown and Male is determined his name will be in the mix. He said: "I am not one for looking ahead, it's Murray on my mind, but if I do what I think I am going to do than Stephen Smith will be in my sights.

"I am not far off that level but it's going to take time. Fighting someone like Murray is ideal preparation because Smith is a bit further down the line.

"My goal when I turned pro was to become the British champion and I have no doubt I will do that."

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